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PU Tours Master Plan Promoting a Denser, Pedestrian-Based Campus

Representatives of Princeton University continued touring its updated master plan Monday, this time presenting the idea of a denser, more pedestrian-friendly campus to members of Township Committee.

The presentation comes two-and-a-half weeks after being first heard by the Regional Planning Board of Princeton, raising few concerns, save those related to shuttle transportation and traffic circulation in general. While significant portions of University lands are located in the Township, most of the main campus's facilities are located in Princeton Borough.

As such, members of Township Committee were more concerned with traffic flowing in and out of the University, namely along Alexander Road, which, once viewed as the campus rear, was represented by University planners as the emerging main entrance for visitors.

As in the Planning Board presentation, the University brought in Neil Kittridge of the architectural and planning firm Beyer Blinder Belle (BBB) to outline specific aims of the University, including the school's goal to further so-called academic neighborhoods, including the natural sciences region that straddles Washington Road, the Alexander Road area, and that within the Borough's E-3 zoning district, encompassing the University's Engineering Quadrangle and 185 Nassau Street, home to the school's creative writing, visual arts, and theater and dance programs.

In addition to circulation planning, Mr. Kittridge underlined the "park-like character" of the main campus, saying that the campus itself serves as a "valuable component of the entire community."

One area of emphasis that did not receive as much attention during the Planning Board hearing is the southern part of campus near Faculty Road and the canal. Mr. Kittridge credited the natural geological landscape of that end of campus as a draw for students and said that wetlands and additional forest could be established to shield less attractive buildings put up in the mid-20th century.

Other firms working with BBB include those specializing in landscape

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After Filing Date, Democrats Stand Alone

Princeton Borough and Township government will likely remain all Democratic following the coming November elections, as no opposing parties have yet put forth a challenging bid.

The fact that no Republicans are running in 2006 is somewhat of a surprise, at least in the Township, after a 2005 campaign that focused heavily on property tax reform and had seemingly created a united Republican party, one that has not been represented in either the Borough or the Township since 1994.

Considering the overwhelming voter affiliation—Democrats outnumber Republicans by nearly two to one—the lack of candidates for a party that has had difficulty reestablishing itself is not all that unlikely. However, in this years election, instead of pitting two parties against each other, Township Democrats will face off in a primary that could be hotly contested.

Chad Goerner, of Bayard Lane, will face off against Scott Carver, of Dempsey Avenue, for the seat of Township Committeeman Bill Hearon, who will not run for reelection. But unlike previous primary run-offs, this year's primary race indicates a difference in philosophy in a party that has been united for over a decade. Mr. Carver, who spurned a "new generation" of Township Democrats after failing to receive a party endorsement, could appear in a separate voting column. While the Township's Democratic party committee endorsed Mr. Goerner, however, the Princeton Community Democratic Organization (PCDO), the regional body that normally endorses candidates, could not commit to either Mr. Carver or Mr. Goerner. As a result, both men could run in the same column come June 6, the day of the primary vote. Ballot positioning is up to the party county chair.

At the time of Mr. Goerner's municipal

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Writers Block Set for a Curtain Call? This Time, Part II Could Be a Reality

Princeton Writers Block, the popular 2004 outdoor installation that married literary themes with architectural innovation, could finally be due for its long-awaited encore.

Organizers of Quark Park, the planned science version of Writers Block that would create an outdoor garden on a vacant Palmer Square lot using mathematical and scientific themes for a series of "follies" or garden huts, are gearing up for a retrial of a project originally set for 2005. A lack of proper fund-raising, however, quickly sent the entire project back to the drawing board.

This year, the principal organizers of Writers Block say they are ready to get moving with Quark Park, but again, the bottom line is, once again, about the money

A presentation at the Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center at the Princeton Shopping Center last Thursday put a real face

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"WHAT A PLACE FOR A LAKE":This photograph is one of 60 period images showing the construction of Lake Carnegie a century ago and made from a collection of period glass negatives discovered in a storage closet at the MacMillan Building in 1996. The collection was transferred to the University Archives and the glass plates were restored in a project funded by the N.J. Historical Commission. The 8-by-10 prints in Firestone Library's exhibition, "O, What a Lovely Place for a Lake: The Centennial of the Construction of Loch Carnegie," represent the first time that the negatives have been enlarged and displayed. They will be on view from now through September 24. See Art Review on page 16.

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Princeton Corridor Rotary Inaugurating Mercer Day

The Princeton Corridor Rotary Club has announced plans for its first Mercer Day, a family event to be held on Sunday, May 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Carnegie Center complex on Route 1. The new event will incorporate the Rotary Club's annual Auto Show Extravaganza & Fair, a community tradition now in its 15th year, while expanding the scope of the event to focus more on family and community activities.

Mercer Day activities are planned for children of all ages. The event will feature arts and crafts vendors, community service groups and civic organizations, and an international food and refreshment fair in addition to new car dealers. Activities will include painting and craft activities for children, inflatables, contests of various kinds, kiddie-car races, door prizes, demonstrations by local service groups, and continuous music.

The Annual Auto Show is the club's primary fund-raising event. Proceeds from it support HomeFront, the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen, Triad House, Trenton Rescue Mission, a holiday gift program, and numerous scholarships for the high schools.

Individuals, companies, and community organizations wishing to participate in the event are invited to call (609) 532-3914.

Princeton Regional Schools Election Information

Voting for the Princeton Regional Schools' 2006-2007 $72 million budget, and for candidates vying for seats on the Princeton Regional Board of Education will take place on Tuesday, April 18, from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Four individuals are running for three three-year terms; two of the seats are in the Borough and one in the Township. Candidates in the Borough are Joshua Leinsdorf of Forester Drive and Rebecca Cox of Madison Street; both are running for two uncontested seats. Candidates battling for the one open seat in the Township are Caroline Mitchell of Tupelo Row and Mia Cahill of Ridgeview Road.

Voters should note that their school polling locations might differ from general election polling locations. Polling places are listed on the front of sample ballots as well as in the budget newsletter mailed to Princeton Borough and Township homes:

In Princeton Borough:

District 1: Suzanne Patterson Center (general election districts 1,8, and 10)
District 2: Princeton High School cafeteria (districts 2, 6, 7)
District 3: John Witherspoon Middle School (districts 3, 9)
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In Princeton Township:

District 5: Community Park School (general election districts 1, 4, 7)
District 6: Johnson Park School (districts 2, 8, 11, 13)
District 7: Littlebrook School (districts 6, 14)
District 8: Riverside School (districts 3, 12)
District 9: Littlebrook School (districts 5, 10)
District 10: Riverside School (district 9)

For more information, call the Board office at (609) 806-4204.

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A Community Bulletin

The **New Jersey Department of Transportation (DOT)** began a sidewalk and curbing project on **Nassau Street**, stretching from Bayard Lane to Snowden Lane this past Monday. The project will include the installation of new curbing and sidewalk on both the north and south side of Nassau. Once the curbing and sidewalk portion of the project is completed on the south side, crews will work back toward Bayard Lane on the north side, with construction taking place from 7 a.m. through 5 p.m. The sidewalk and curb project, estimated to take about six weeks, will result in some parking restrictions. DOT will also conduct a road repaving and milling project, set to start May 10, with crews working between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. That project, set to take about one week for completion, is not expected to cause significant delays.

Nearly 400 students at **Community Park Elementary School** were evacuated last Friday after a construction crew accidentally ruptured an underground natural gas pipe, police and school officials said. Police and firefighters also evacuated people from several nearby businesses on Witherspoon Street, a portion of which was closed. The incident began about 8:45 a.m. when a backhoe operator digging a trench at Guyot Avenue and Witherspoon Street severed the two-inch natural gas line, police said. The trench was being dug as part of road construction and resurfacing work taking place at the intersection. Police reported that the gas flow was turned off by PSE&G by 9:24 a.m. After firefighters declared it safe, the children were allowed to return by 9:30 a.m. No injuries were reported.

Princeton University has granted admission to 1,792 students for the 2006-2007 academic year: 10.2 percent of the 17,563 students who had applied for admission. University representatives last week said admissions letters were sent out March 29 to 1,193 students applying for regular decision. Another 599 students applying for early admissions were informed of their admittance in December. Of those accepted, the University expects about 1,200 students to enroll in the incoming freshman class. Of the students, 52 percent are men and 48 percent women, with 44 percent from minority backgrounds. All 50 states, including Washington D.C., and 53 foreign countries are represented.

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REFLECTED PLEASURE: At the ArtFirst! special patrons preview party on Saturday, April 8, Carol Salus of Princeton (right) bought this mirror framed with a border of stained glass work by ArtFirst! artist Rae Adelman (left). "Stepping Stones" is one of five pieces by the stained-glass artist that are featured in the exhibition that continues through May 5 at the University Medical Center at Princeton on Witherspoon Street. (Photo by George Vogel)

ArtFirst! is the Real Winner: Affordable Art and a Good Cause

In 1970, John Schackerman was riding a motorcycle when he was hit head-on by an automobile. The accident left him with a paralyzed arm and hand. It also prompted the former tool and die maker from Collingswood, New Jersey, to enroll in Rutgers University where he discovered a talent for sculpting. Mr. Schackerman, who uses native New Jersey hardwoods to produce organically inspired art that is reminiscent of Brancusi and Moore, is among the artists whose work is on display in the fourth annual ArtFirst! exhibition at the University Medical Center of Princeton (UCMP).

The international juried exhibition and sale of original art and fine crafts by professional artists with physical and mental disabilities opened with a patrons preview party on Saturday, April 8.

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Some 300 art works—watercolor, oil, acrylics, mixed media, sculpture, photography, pottery, baskets, mosaic and jewelry—by close to 100 artists from across the United States and Canada, as well as artists from South Africa and India are on view, and on sale, throughout the main floor corridors of the Medical Center.

All of the artists work with some form of physical or mental disability and all of the work in this exhibition was created post-disability. Many artists have had to make changes in their style, media, or technique as a result of disability. The show includes mouth painters, and artists who have invented unique devices to enable them to work, as well as people who were artists prior to disability, and others who discovered and developed their talent after disability.

"This exhibition has a dual purpose," commented exhibition curator Lois S. Levy. "It raises money for the hospital to be sure, but it also educates. The focus is not on what individuals with disabilities cannot do, but on what they can do with their gifts. ArtFirst! brings a message of "ability" to the public. It raises awareness of the tremendous capabilities of people living with such challenges. In addition, the exhibition provides a market for the artists and encourage others with disabilities to reach beyond their own limitations."

Ms. Levy, who joined the Medical Center in 2002 and curated the inaugural ArtFirst! in 2003, has been working in this field since 1978 and has an extensive database of participating artists. She enjoys turning the Medical Center into an art gallery, and takes particular pleasure in finding serendipitous arrangements as when a stained-glass framed mirror by Rae Adelman harmonizes with a nearby watercolor painting by Brom Wikstrom, a member of the International Association of Mouth and Foot Painting Artists since 1985.

The staff of the Medical Center also look forward to the annual arrival of artwork. "A group of volunteers worked on a Sunday afternoon to hang all the artwork and the reaction on the following Monday was great!" Ms. Levy said.

The focus of the exhibition is reflected in its title. ArtFirst! says it all. This is first and foremost an art show with international and national artists. According to Ms. Levy, the primary goal

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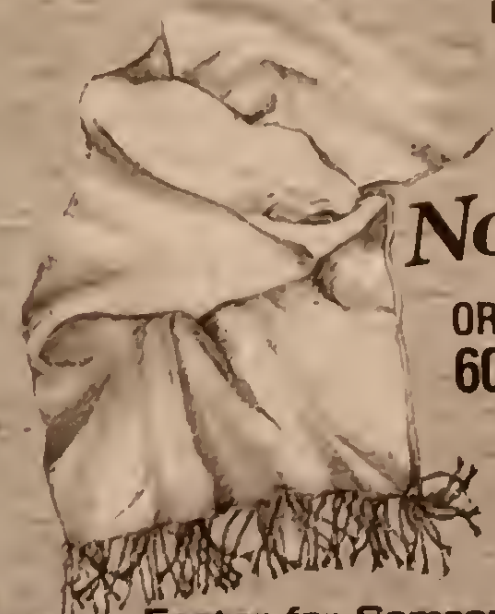

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ArtFirst!

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is to showcase all genres of art: "If it is good there's a place for it," she said.

Like many of the great artists who have found creative ways of working in spite of their disabilities—an arthritic Renoir strapped brushes to his hands and painted in long, fluid strokes; Matisse, confined to bed late in life, cut out large pieces of colored paper which he pasted onto enormous surfaces—many ArtFirst! artists have found innovative ways of using their tools. A quadriplegic photographer wields his camera using his mouth and chin. Several painters use their mouths or their feet to manipulate their brushes. The exhibition includes work by blind sculptors, a blind potter and photographer, and the work of an artist who suffers from paranoid schizophrenia.

The Artists

Fine art photographer Tom Lee from Oklahoma City, who became quadriplegic in 1974 at the age of 17 as a result of a car accident, works a manual camera with his mouth and chin and develops his own traditional black and white silver-based prints. Also a photographer, Sheila Ernst-Bifano of Houston, Texas has said that she uses art to gain control of her disabilities. She is bipolar and suffers from obsessive-compulsive disorder. Ms. Ernst-Bifano uses a computer to strip out the color from her photographs which she then meticulously hand colors with pastels. Michael Hogan of Dorothy, N. J., tackled depression by taking photographic trips to the Pine Barrens. Three of his photographs taken in the 10,000 acre New Jersey Conservation Foundation's Franklin Parker Preserve are on sale.

Stained-glass artist Rae Adelman of Schwenksville, Pa., suffers from a progressive condition that has reduced her fine motor skills and hand strength. She makes stained-glass mosaics. Former nurse Christine Severson from Richmond, Va. is confined to a wheel chair following an on-the-job injury to her spinal cord. Two of her baskets are in the exhibition.

Visually impaired artist d'Elaine Johnson of Edmonds, Wash. works with acrylic on board and has three pieces in the exhibition. Their titles, *Aboriginof Arnhem Lond*, *Ffowing Woters*, and *Hofy Woters*, reflect Ms. Johnson's interests in mythology and the sea.

Paralyzed from the waist down following a car accident in 1989, Beth Livingston, who grew up in Princeton before moving to Bozeman, Montana, finds inspiration in found objects and folk art. Her oil on canvas, *South Side*, is in the show. Vilama Gade from Kendall Park was born in India and came to the United States in 1988. A self-taught painter with rheumatoid arthritis, Ms. Gade has three works in the exhibition: *Himaloyo Mountoin*, *Verrazono Bridge*, and *Zebras*.

Self-taught artist and poet Thomas Wilczewski of Long Branch, New Jersey, who contracted polio at the age of four and works from his wheelchair, paints watercolors inspired by local beaches and gardens.

Artists from further afield, include two brothers from India, Siddartha S. Sukla and Sriharsha Sukla, who work in collage, producing remarkable still lives from slivers of glossy magazines carefully constructed into new works of art reminiscent of the Dutch exemplars of the form. Both are hearing impaired and mute. Malaysian resident Ping Lian Yeak is a 12-year-old autistic savant whose painting is titled *Hoppy Fishes*.

South African artist Joyce Lichtenstein contracted the autoimmune disease polymyositis some 25 years ago. According to her brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Evelyn Barnett, residents of Princeton, she got even more serious about her work after becoming ill. Her signature image, *Poppies*, is part of the exhibition: "I'm famous for my poppies," she has said. "I think they are very brave and gallant." The Barnetts believe that the description applies equally to Ms. Lichtenstein.

Among the 29 artists exhibiting for the first time at this year's ArtFirst! is 85-year-old Sylvia Shunfenthal, who started painting just 7 years ago. Diagnosed with Parkinson's disease just three years afterward, the New York City resident has a series of paintings of dolphins in the exhibition, much to the delight of her daughter, Ilene Watrous, of Princeton Junction.

Most of the artists are returning to ArtFirst! including Ashby Saunders, a sculptor from nearby Solebury, Pa., who is legally blind, Joy Raskin, a nationally renowned New Hampshire jewelry artisan, who is deaf, and Jolanta Kokot of Mebane, N.C., who had childhood tuberculosis that damaged one of her legs. Ms. Kokot is a self-taught artist whose graphite drawings are popular among ArtFirst! regulars.

This year's exhibition's jurors are Princeton artist Mary Bundy (known for pastels and portraits), and Andrea Honore, curator and cultural program adviser of Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick. The submitted work is judged on artistic merit alone. Of the 500 submissions, less than 300 were selected.

Everything in the show is framed and the frame is included in the sale price which is set by the artists themselves. Prices range from under $100 to $4,000 and the artists receive 80 percent of the sale price. Over the four weeks of the sale, about 50 percent of the art is sold according to Ms. Levy.

Prizewinners

Best of Show awards went to jeweler and metal crafts person Joy Raskin of Bedford, N.H., for her Serenity flatware (Auxiliary Presidents' Juror's Choice Award); self-taught folk artist Jack Beverland of San Antonio, Fla., for his glow-in-the-dark paint on board, *Noah's Ark* (Juror's Choice Award); and Korean-American art professor Jinchul Kim of Salisbury, Md., for his oil on canvas painting, *Turning Foce* (Curator's Choice Award). Mixed media artist Frank Valliere of Gorham, Maine, who is legally blind, took first place for his watercolor, *Jerry's Bfues*. Patricia Goodrich of Richlandtown, Pa., won first place in sculpture for her piece titled *Afmost Perfect*. Rebecca Martinez took the first prize in photography for her work Stotion.

ArtFirst!, which is presented by the Auxiliary of University Medical Center at Princeton is on view through May 5, daily from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free. If you see a painting, drawing, sculpture or piece of jewelry that you want to buy, call Lois Levy at (609) 497-4211 or 497-4191. If the item bears a red sticker it has already been sold.

Proceeds from ArtFirst! support emergency cardiac care and heart-related community education and screening programs at the University Medical Center.

Tours conducted by docents from the Princeton University Art Museum are available by arrangement. To schedule a tour, call Caroline Cassells at (609) 258-7482. For more details, visit www.princetonhcs.org/auxiliary (then click on ArtFirst! in the left column.)

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Revolutionary War Monument Shines Light On Princeton's History and Development

As a $150,000 fund-raising effort to permanently illuminate the Revolutionary War Monument at Borough Hall continues, a picture of Princeton's past, not only historical, but developmental, is beginning to surface.

Last Tuesday, representing the Princeton Parks Alliance, architect Kevin Wilkes outlined for members of Borough Council the current effort, and pointed out that, while Princeton has changed drastically since the monument's completion in 1922, some things have very much stayed the same.

So the news that it took decades to build the monument, let alone deciding where to locate it, came as no surprise to the Alliance representative, who acknowledged the Borough's reputation for meticulous attention to detail at the occasional expense of speedy development.

On January 3, 1887, a committee was created to assemble a suitable monument commemorating the Battle of Princeton and Gen. Hugh Mercer and to launch a campaign to raise money from both private citizens and from the New Jersey Legislature, with the original funding for the monument coming from Princeton residents, the federal government, and donations from Princeton University. Among the largest private donations from a private resident was that of Moses Taylor Pyne, who had been instrumental in expanding Princeton from a college into a University.

The final location of the monument, which now lies at the head of Monument Park directly to the east of Historic Morven Museum and Garden, was debated in a style similar to what the town would experience with Palmer Square and the ongoing downtown development. "You'll find it hard to imagine that there was significant debate over the development in town," Mr. Wilkes said, drawing laughter from Council members.

The first major discussion about location focused on whether the monument should be located at the Battle Field on Mercer Road or in town, with the final in-town location ultimately chosen because the members of the committee "wanted to celebrate an event, and not a specific geographic location."

The design process was decidedly more complicated, with several design proposals put forth, none of which included the final design of the monument. The first design would have featured a Corinthian column with Gen. George Washington standing at the top with an arm raised in victory. Gen. Mercer, along with U.S. Constitution signatories (and Princeton residents) Richard Stockton and John Witherspoon, would have flanked Gen. Washington. An interesting note is that this design would have been located at the corner of Mercer and Nassau Street.

"Some people didn't like this design, and some people thought Washington should have been depicted on a horse," Mr. Wilkes said, adding that Alan Marquand, a member of the monument commission and a well known art history professor at the University "elbowed" the plan out of the way.

Subsequent designs were discussed for about 15 years to no avail until the early 1900s when the initiative was revisited, Mr. Wilkes said. In 1906, the monument idea was revived and the commission reconstituted to bring in American artist Frederick MacMonnies to tackle the project. Mr. MacMonnies accepted the offer to design the monument in January 1908—21 years after the monument committee was established.

Mr. MacMonnies's first design was not well received. "It was, as we artists like to say, 'winging it,'" Mr. Wilkes said, describing a base, a "clichéd, winged Victory from an ancient design.

"He was focused on other issues at the time, clearly."

The commission, not surprisingly, passed on that design.

Subsequent versions featured Victory represented by an allegorical young republic, but still received a lukewarm reception, Mr. Wilkes said.

But then in 1912, the idea of creating a pylon, a sort of monumental gateway, surfaced, with a new site: this time at the corner of Nassau and Stockton streets, and Bayard Lane.

Mr. MacMonnies hired the architect Thomas Hastings to design a surrounding area to the monument, with the ultimate result depicting the large pylon with a sculpture relief grouping on the face of the structure.

So, while it "only took 139 years" after Gen. Washington disbanded the army, Mr. Wilkes said, the monument was ultimately dedicated on June 9, 1922, with President Warren G. Harding on hand for the event.

Last fall, the Princeton Parks Alliance announced the lighting project, carrying out the goal of the late Borough Mayor Joseph O'Neill, who had long sought to light the monument as a means of reinvigorating that end of Nassau Street and drawing pedestrians to the site. On October 16, the monument was temporarily lit—an accurate indication of what is to come, as the Alliance announced two weeks ago that it had achieved 80 percent of its fund-raising goal.

The lighting effort is concurrent with the state Department of Environmental Protection cleaning project, with the actual lighting targeted for completion by January 3, 2007—the 230th anniversary of the Battle of Princeton.

The Princeton Battle Monument Lighting Committee will host a fund-raising effort on April 29 at 5:30 p.m. at Palmer House hoping to achieve the remaining $15,000 of the project goal. Tickets are $125 and can be obtained by calling (609) 921-3800 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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Rescue Report

Early Sunday morning, the Squad responded to two calls for intoxicated students at a nearby University. According to bystanders, the first patient, an 18-year-old female, was unconscious and only responsive to painful stimuli for about an hour before EMS was called. The second patient, also 18-years old, was conscious but confused, thinking that she was still in high school. Both patients were transported to the University Medical Center at Princeton (UMCP) for monitoring.

On Monday, April 3, the Squad responded for a 91-year-old man who fell and could not get up. Upon arrival, the patient reported his yells for help went unnoticed for two hours because his wife is hard of hearing. When his sister-in-law came to the house, she activated the 911 system, and the Squad treated the man's head and hip injury before transporting him to UMCP.

Later Monday, the Squad responded for a six-year-old girl who suffered second-degree burns from hot tea. She was bandaged by the crew and transported to UMCP.

Early Friday morning, the Squad was dispatched twice for intoxicated people in dormitories. The first patient, an 18-year-old male, was originally found passed out in a bathroom stall. After being awakened, he reported consuming ten drinks in 1.5 hours. The second patient, a 20-year-old female found lying supine in her vomit, was responsive, but unable to form coherent sentences. The patients were transported for monitoring; the first to McCosh Infirmary, the second to UMCP.

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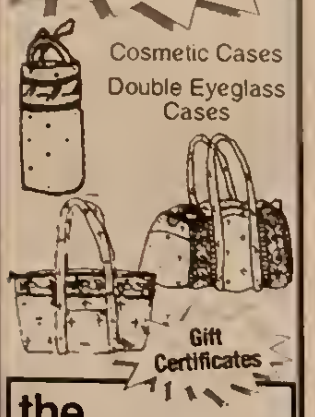

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— Stuart Woody, instructor, Princeton Tennis Program

"It is a pity that after many years of benign neglect, it has led to where we are. No idea of who will get to the top." *— Walter Greenblatt, Nassau Street*

"Baseball players are role models for the youth. With the steroid issue, it becomes questionable whether they are the heroes we had believed them to be. It is just another example of the social excesses that we are seeing today, people doing anything for their own advantage. As far as this seasson is concerned, it is too early to tell. The Yankees are certainly not starting off too well this year."

— Jeff Furey, Witherspoon Street

"I think that steroids are really stupid. If people can't make themselves good by practicing, they should not shoot steroids to make it. No idea about who will go all the way." *— Sarah Millar, Lake Drive*

Chamber President Kristin Appelget To Assume New University Post

Kristin Appelget, the four-year president of the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce, and a seven-year member of the West Windsor Township Council, was named Monday as Princeton University's director of Community and Regional Affairs.

Ms. Appelget, who will begin her new position May 22, will leave her Chamber post, as well as her spot on West Windsor Council, effective May 8.

But the transition is one that makes sense to the 35-year-old, who, in the past seven years, has formed strong community ties, not only professionally, but also personally, as she is a fourth-generation resident of the Princeton area.

"I've had great relationships with the people I've worked with and will continue to work with—this is just a different role," Ms. Appelget said in an interview Monday.

At the University, Ms. Appelget will serve as the liaison between the University and local municipal government, including Princeton Borough and Township, West Windsor, South Brunswick, Plainsboro, and Mercer and Middlesex counties. Becoming more involved in the community than she already has been is a challenge for her, she said, but something to which she is looking forward: "I'm involved in a lot already, but I'm looking to reach out to groups that I haven't come into contact with through my involvement here at the Chamber."

For Ms. Appelget, her experience with the Chamber has prepared her for this next step. "We've grown the Chamber so much in the past four years because we've reached out into the community," she said, adding that her work has become more involved with other community groups throughout Princeton region.

"I think I have a particular skill in listening and talking to people to see where unmet needs are, and I look forward to continuing that work when I come to the University," she said.

Ms. Appelget will succeed Pam Hersh, who left the University as the director for Community and State Affairs in February to become vice president for Government and Community Affairs at Princeton HeathCare System.

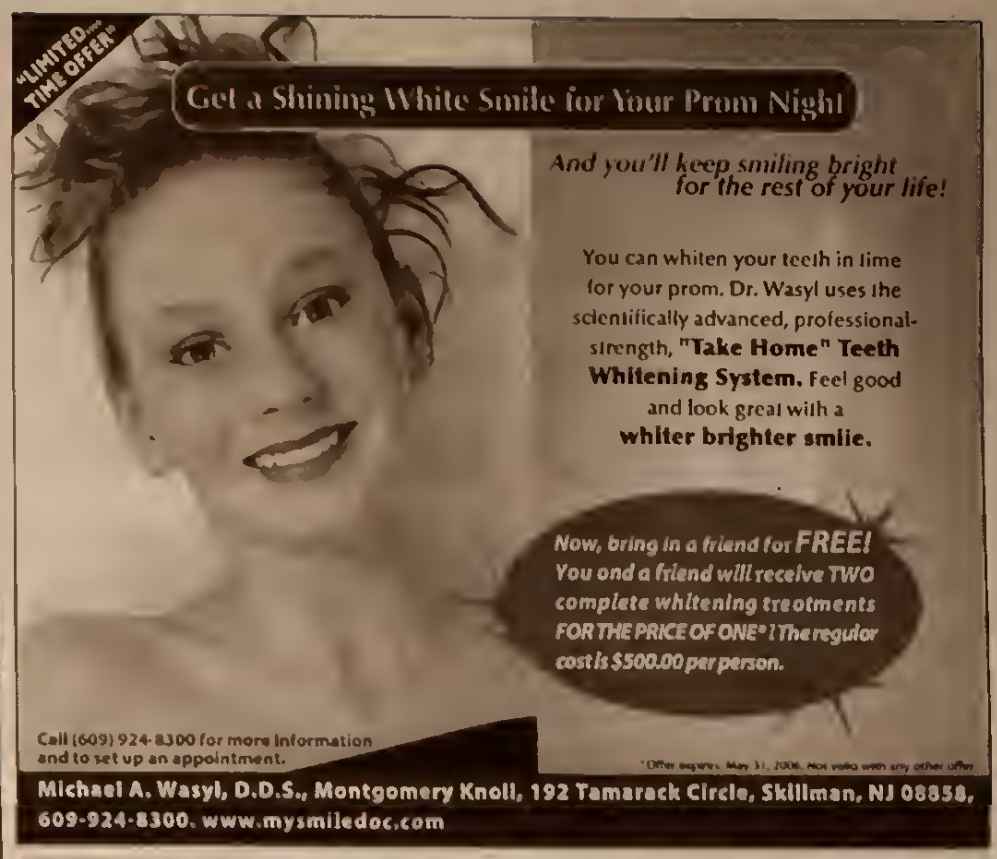
Kristin Appelget

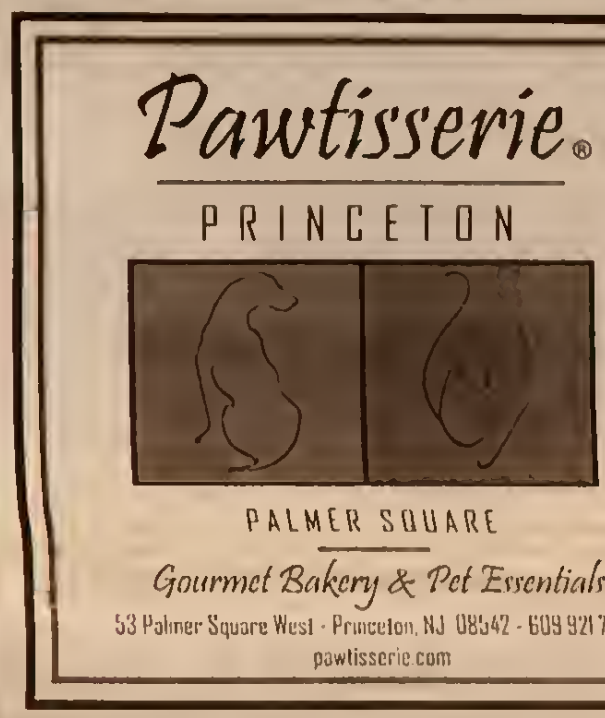
Deeply rooted in the Princeton community, and currently a resident of West Windsor, Ms. Appelget said her background allows her to better appreciate the community and the resources that are offered here. "I went to school and grew up in West Windsor, and riding the Dinky into Princeton to go out to lunch with friends was a regular event.

"So many times when you live in this area, you take for granted all the resources we have," she said, adding that after graduating from Notre Dame, she returned with a newfound appreciation for the area, that "maybe I didn't fully appreciate when I was growing up."

Ms. Appelget's youth has always been something of note at the various positions she has held in the community, but it has been anything but a hindrance; in fact, it has enabled her to bring different perspectives to the table, she said. Elected to West Windsor Council at 28, she said she was at the point in her career, having worked at UBS PaineWebber, where she could start devoting more time to the community. Her devotion has since become a career.

—Matthew Hersh





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architecture, site sustainability, transportation, parking, horticulture, and garden design, according to Michael McKay, the University's vice president for Facilities.

But transportation is clearly central to the University's long-term plans, as the school, in the past two years, has scrapped plans to build what was once envisioned as a mirror campus on vacant University lands across Lake Carnegie and the canal in West Windsor. Robert Durkee, the University's vice president and secretary, has cited a one-time trend toward a "sprawl" campus that proved to be out of line with the school's aims.

University Architect Jon Hlafter echoed that sentiment, but pointed to the school's continued trend toward growth, signaling that if West Windsor lands were to be used sometime in the future, it would have to supplement a dense, pedestrian-efficient campus in the Princetons. Mr. Hlafter cited the evolving field of Genomics as proof that the school will have to build commensurate with various innovations.

Township Deputy Mayor Bernie Miller addressed the school's need for increased graduate housing, typically built on more remote areas of campus, saying that the University's jitney, P-Rides, should be rerouted to serve shopping areas, like the Princeton Shopping Center. Mayor Phyllis Marchand took that idea further when she said the University should implement a more expansive shuttle system as soon as possible, preceding future development.

Mr. Durkee suggested that one area of drastic redevelopment could be a revamped Dinky Station area, which "will look very different 20 years from now." Mr. Durkee, while not offering specific designs, did say an architect could be named as early as this week for that section of campus.

The University will bring the same presentation before Borough Council on April 25 at 7:30 p.m.

In other news, the Township approved an ordinance allowing the enforcement of the municipal affordable housing code in the municipal court, rather than in Superior court, which is the current area of jurisdiction. The code was amended per the recommendation of the Township's Housing Board.

Township Committee passed an ordinance that will increase dog-related fines, per the recommendation of the Princeton Regional Health officer, David Henry. For example, if a dog is not wearing a metal registration tag, as mandated, a $50 fine will be levied for the first offense, a $75 fine for the second offense and those thereafter. The ordinance also applies to the treatment of dogs in cases where the Health Department is brought in to investigate.

—Matthew Hersh

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MR. HINDS: Albert Hinds, Princeton's well-known (and arguably most active) centenarian, will turn 104 this Friday, April 14. Mr. Hinds, pictured here on Monday in his John Street home while chatting with Town Topics photographer E.J. Greenblat, is widely known for his community activism and, most notably, a drive unlike any 104-year-old Princeton has seen in a long time.

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It took almost a decade of juggling part-time teaching and performances as a storyteller, not to mention raising her son, before Princeton resident Susan Danoff, was able to launch her career as a full-time professional educational storyteller.

It was an event at the Princeton Public Library in 1979 that propelled Ms. Danoff, an English teacher by training, toward her career path. Diane Wolkstein, an accomplished New York storyteller, related the Chinese folk tale, "White Wave," and Ms. Danoff was hooked. That's what I want to do, she thought, but how?

According to Susan Danoff, executive director of the educational non-profit organization Storytelling Arts: "Storytelling has a unique potential to overcome barriers that often interfere with the learning process of children in poverty: thwarted imagination, low self-esteem, and lack of motivation in learning to read and write."

(Photo by E J Greenblatt)

First off, she had to build a repertoire of stories. Having majored in East Asian studies at Princeton University and taught in Taiwan before receiving a teaching credential from University of California, Berkeley, Ms. Danoff took a part-time teaching position at Princeton University and began to read every international folk tale anthology she could lay her hands on. She culled stories from oral traditions and attended a storytelling swap group in New York City. "Swaps" are where storytellers hone their craft. Finding none in the Princeton area, Ms. Danoff began one. It's still going strong at the library after 14 years.

Set in no particular time or place, folk tales have a universal appeal. They relate the dilemmas, wishes, and struggles of the common person with characters often defined by social standing—the king or queen, the poor man, the woodcutter, the youngest brother, the oldest sister, and so forth. Stories that have been spread by nomads since ancient days, their retelling transmits values, engages the imagination, and fosters community. Ms. Danoff believes that as children listen, discuss, and repeat such tales, they learn to connect to themselves, to each other, and to the world of ideas.

Until storytelling's value as a teaching tool was recognized, however, it was not easy for Ms. Danoff to find jobs. At least in the early days. In 1985, Ms. Danoff became the first storyteller on the New Jersey State Council on the Arts' roster of affiliated artists. Over time, as her repertoire and reputation grew, the four-day residency programs she conducted in schools all over the state grew into longer-term residencies.

"The point was never entertainment alone," she said, "the purpose was always to educate." This was brought home to her in 1988 when she worked in her first inner-city school in Trenton. The experience was an epiphany of sorts: "The children were electrified by the experience. I saw that there was something about stories that was very powerful for children in low-income environments, in this case an African American community."

Wanting to make inner-city schools the focus of her work, and realizing that the only way to gain funding for her vision was to create a non-profit, she sought the advice of the New Jersey Center for Non-Profit Corporations. With its help and with the help of friends and fellow storytellers, Storytelling Arts was born in 1996. Support from the Dodge Foundation has enabled Ms. Danoff to run an annual summer institute for teachers at Princeton University since 2000.

Storytelling Arts

When storytellers choose a story, says Ms. Danoff, they are mindful of specific age-related needs. Emergent literacy skills are fostered by repetition and interaction and supplemental activities such as drawing and mask-making that enrich vocabulary, comprehension, and visualization in dynamic ways. "Storytellers don't just tell stories. In pre-k, for example, there are activities such as retelling, filling in, drawing, talking about the story, articulating and rearticulating." With older children, the stories are more sophisticated and provide an opening to creativity in the related spheres of drama, poetry, writing, and drawing. Last year, Ms. Danoff worked in Trenton's Martin Luther King middle school, a "failing school," she said, but they produced the best writing she's ever had.

Restoring the lost art of storytelling to education is Ms. Danoff's mission. Her plan for achieving it involves teacher training. It is far more effective, she believes, to train a teacher in storytelling than for a storyteller to be in a school for a four-day period. The storyteller is present as a model of the art, presenting techniques that can break down barriers to learning and provide the groundwork for literacy.

Having advocated the intrinsic educational role of storytelling programs for so many years, it was especially gratifying when, in February, Ms. Danoff stepped up to the podium to deliver an acceptance speech for the 2006 Connie Strand Memorial Award for Program Excellence from the New Jersey Governor's Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Committee. The award recognized a series of workshops for boys held at the Mercer County Detention Center last summer with storytellers Joanne Epply-Schmidt and Paula Davidoff, artist Heather Barros, and drummer Ron McBee. The boys listened to international folk tales, wrote prose and poetry, drew and painted, and learned about musical improvisation. The project culminated in a poetry reading, an anthology and an art exhibition. It is just one of the current programs run by Storytelling Arts for low-income and special needs students in schools in Trenton, Perth Amboy, Paterson, Roselle, Freehold, Morristown, Bordentown, and Jersey City.

Ms. Danoff's storytelling career may have begun as a patchwork quilt of single performances here and workshops there. Now, with a repertoire of some 150 international folktales—primarily from Jewish, Middle Eastern, Celtic, African, Asian, and Native American cultures—she has produced three audio recordings and has just completed a book, *The Golden Thread: Storytelling in Teaching and Learning*, that she hopes will be used in teacher training programs as well as by parents.

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Writer's Block

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on a concept that, some thought, would never get off the ground.

"We've been making pitches to individuals and local corporate businesses," said Kevin Wilkes, a principal of Princeton Design Guild, and a "co-conspirator" of the 2004 Writers Block. For that project, as is the case with Quark Park, Mr. Wilkes will work alongside landscape architect Alan Goodheart and landscaper Peter Soderman, ultimately looking to pair noted area scientists with noted area architects (think Congressman and rocket scientist Rush Holt with local architect Ron Berlin) for garden folly designs.

First, however, the aim is to raise $150,000 to $200,000 for the entire project. The organizers are hoping to solicit 50 percent of the funds privately, with the other half coming out of corporate sponsorship. The expenses, which would be fully absorbed into the project, would offset the cost of an approximate $5,000 stipend for each team, and finance materials and other labor.

With the last Writers Block, each design team, including the architects and builders, shouldered the costs themselves. And while the project resulted in a beloved community experiment, it also levied a financial burden on the organizers. That project, $150,000 in total cost, only brought back in $23,000 at an auction when the Writers Block closed in November 2004. While the community effort is, as they say, priceless, $123,000 is a lot to swallow, organizers said.

But this time, things are different. Quark Park has assistance in fund-raising from Colorado-based World Hope Organization (WHO), a group that primarily supports science projects for Native American children. A not-for-profit, 501(c)(3), organization that is run by Mr. Soderman's brother, WHO is effectively serving as Quark Park's "father" Mr. Wilkes said.

Mr. Wilkes said if Quark Park can receive $60,000 in pledges by June, the project will move forward, and if that aim cannot be met, the project will proceed to another location next year. The current vacant lot on Palmer Square along Paul Robeson Place is the future location of a luxury-housing complex, but will likely not get underway until late 2006. Palmer Square Management has again agreed to donate the land for the outdoor project.

Besides featuring a series of structures representing the work of the scientists who inspired them, Quark Park will also include some sort of water feature, a small performance space with seating for up to 45 people, and a mural. Unlike Writers Block, Quark Park will be equipped with low path lighting for evening use.

One way or another, however, organizers are convinced that this project is too good to pass up.

"It's either going to be a grand slam, or we're going to shelve it for now," Mr. Soderman said. "This is just something we have to do."

Mr. Goodheart displayed a similar attitude: "Why are we doing this? Because we have it in our heads to do this."

Rep. Holt (D-12), who is featured in an all-star list of scientists including Princeton University's David Dobkin and President Shirley Tilghman, said he was on board not only for the scientific outlet, but also to see how community arts projects can impact the entire town.

"It's a little hard to describe: it's the kind of intellectual art that tends to draw people in and grab their attention. To me, that's good for a community," he said.

From a scientific perspective, Quark Park poses an "interesting challenge.

"I want to encourage this to go forward, and the challenge is part of the fun of it."

Civic participation and a willingness to be involved, Mr. Holt said, are essential for projects like Quark Park to succeed. But a little money doesn't hurt either, he said.

Donations can be mailed to: Quark Park, c/o World Hope Organization, PO Box 545, Princeton, NJ, 08542. The Quark Park steering committee is chaired by Keeva Kase, who can be reached at KeevaKase@yahoo.com for information about pledging or volunteering.

—Matthew Hersh

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We urge all Princeton Township voters to go to the polls on

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SIXTY MINUTES, AND THEN SOME: "60 Minutes" correspondent Morley Safer spoke on "The Impact of Images" this past Monday at McCosh Hall on the Princeton University campus. The event, part of Goodman Lectures on Media and Global Affairs, was cosponsored by the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies and Adam Smith Global Television, and was moderated by Jerry Goodman, the host of PBS's "Adam Smith's Money World" from 1984 to 1996. Paul Starr, University professor of Sociology and Public Affairs, was also part the program. *(Photo by E.J. Greenblat)*

DIGGING FOR THE JEWEL OF PINE STREET: Residents of Pine Street celebrated the launch of the revitalization effort of Pine Street Park Tuesday morning, as they hope to see their small pocket park reinvigorated into a neighborhood destination. The park's renaissance was an aim of Pine Street resident David Bradford, the Princeton University economist who died in a house fire in February 2005. While not confirmed, the park will likely commemorate Dr. Bradford. Pictured from left are: Todd Reichart; Deborah Kaple (with her dog George); Billy Heller; Jennifer Heller; Helene Schlachter; Ann Yasuhara; Peter Westergaard; and Borough Councilman Andrew Koontz. (Photo by E.J. Greenblat)

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Sons were born to Amy Sandman and Timothy Smith, Princeton, March 31; and Anne and Jeremy Hutton, Princeton, April 5.

Daughters were born to Andrea and Michael Beckerich, Skillman, March 30; Jyothsna Parne and Sreedhar Vadala, Lawrenceville, April 2; and Ana Cannas da Silva and Rahul Pandharipande, Princeton, April 3.

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party endorsement, Mr. Carver, a past president of the PCDO, cited "deep differences of philosophy" with the direction of the Democratic party leadership, both on the municipal level and in the PCDO. Mr. Carver indicated that "personal agendas" were being pushed among the leadership.

At the time, Mr. Goerner said his endorsement represented the will of the Democratic party and thus had expected to be named to fill a vacancy following Mr. Hearon's expected March 28 resignation. Mr. Hearon did not resign at that time, saying he should have waited until the party fleshed out all possible candidates.

In the Borough, Incumbent Council members Wendy Benchley, of Boudinot Street, and Peggy Karcher, of Sergeant Street, filed petitions for their candidacies for three-year terms. Mayor Mildred Trotman, of MacLean Street, who was appointed to the mayor's spot in November following the death of Mayor Joseph O'Neill, filed a petition to appear on the ballot seeking a special one-year term that would fill out the remainder of Mr. O'Neill's term, set to expire January 1, 2008.

Barbara Trelstad, of Westcott Road, was appointed in January to fill out a year of Ms. Trotman's Council seat, which she vacated when she became mayor. Ms. Trelstad filed a petition to run for a special two-year term to carry out Ms. Trotman's unexpired term, set to expire January 1, 2009.

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Wednesday, April 12

Noon: Drumthwacket Tour. Every Wednesday. For reservations, call (609) 683-0057.

4:30 p.m.: Reading by Dave Eggers; Stewart Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street. Free.

8 p.m.: *Gunmetal Blues*; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Thursday at 2 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 13

7:30 p.m.: Talk by Playwright Beth Henley; Princeton Public Library.

Friday, April 14

2 and 8 p.m.: *Godspell*, Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Saturday at 4 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

7 to 10 p.m.: Ping Pong Night for Adults; Plainsboro Municipal Building.

8 p.m.: Rock band The Cowboy Junkies; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: Princeton University's Program in Theatre and Dance production of *Romeo & Juliet*; Berlind Theatre. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Richie Byrne and Eric Hunter; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 15

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Sharpening the Quill Workshop on fiction writing with author Lauren B. Davis; YWCA Princeton's Bramwell House. To register, call (609) 497-2100, ext. 317.

8 p.m.: Rhythm & Drumming Circle with Mark Wood; Princeton Center for Yoga & Health, Skillman.

8 p.m.: Jackie Mason, *Freshly Squeezed*; McCarter Theatre.

8 p.m.: *If You ever Leave Me...I'm Going With You*, with Renee Taylor & Joe Bologna; Patriots Theater at the War Memorial, Trenton.

Sunday, April 16
Easter Sunday

Monday, April 17
Recycling Pickup

8 p.m.: *Thom Poin (based on nothing)*; Berlind Theatre. Also Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18

8 a.m.: Borough Merchants for Princeton, "Backyard Marketing"; Nassau Inn.

12:15 p.m.: Historical Society of Princeton Gallery Talk; Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street. Free.

7 p.m.: John Hancock's Champions on Ice; Sovereign Bank Arena, Trenton.

7 p.m.: Talk by J. Wentzel van Huyssteen, author of *Alone in the World?*; Princeton University Bookstore.

8 p.m.: *Gunmetal Blues*; George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick. Also Wednesday through Saturday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19

4:30 p.m.: Readings, *Edgar Allan Poe & The Jukebox*; Stewart Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street. Free.

7 p.m.: Screening and panel discussion of *Woman Thou Art*; Princeton Public Library.

7:30 p.m.: Staged reading of *Between a Princess and a Witch*; Mount-Burke Theatre, Peddie School, Hightstown.

Thursday, April 20

11:30 a.m.: Mercer Regional Chamber of Commerce luncheon meeting, with Nina Wells, New Jersey Secretary of State; Trenton Country Club.

12:15 p.m.: Westminster Conservatory at Nassau recital for soprano, flute, and piano; Niles Chapel, Nassau Presbyterian Church. Free.

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board of Princeton; Township Municipal Complex.

8 p.m.: *A Stone Carver*; Passage Theatre, Mill Hill Playhouse, Trenton. Also Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 5 p.m.

8 p.m.: Recital of works for flute and piano with Ben Smolen and Linda Mark; Taplin Auditorium, Fine Hall.

8 p.m.: New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players production of *The Pirates of Penzance*; State Theatre, New Brunswick.

8 p.m.: Princeton University's Program in Theatre and Dance production of *Romeo & Juliet*; Berlind Theatre. Also Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Friday, April 21

10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.: *Benjamin Franklin: An American Tale*; Sovereign Bank Arena, Trenton.

12:30 p.m.: Walking Tour with Shirley Satterfield, *African-American Life in Princeton*; Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street.

7 p.m.: Banff Mountain Film Festival; McCosh 10, Princeton University.

8 p.m.: Pianist Steve Kuhn; James A. Michener Art Museum, New Hope, Pa.

8 p.m.: *Godspell*; Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: Russian Cossack State Dance Company; State Theatre, New Brunswick. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 to 10 p.m.: Dance Improv, Live, Movement Workshop; All Saints' Church.

8 p.m.: *Twelfth Night*; Yvonne Theater, Rider University, Lawrenceville. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Copocobono*; Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, Pa. Also Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

8 p.m.: *Nunsense*; Wilcox Blackbox Theater, Wilson College. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

8 and 10:30 p.m.: Comedians Costaki Economo and Dan Kaufman; Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club, Hyatt Regency Hotel. Also Saturday at 8 and 10:30 p.m.

8:15 p.m.: Princeton Folk Music Society concert with British balladeers John Roberts and Tony Barrand; Christ Congregation Church.

Saturday, April 22

10 a.m.: Chemists Celebrate Earth Day; Mercer County Library, 333 North Post Road, Princeton Junction. Free.

2 and 7 p.m.: *The Importance of Being Earnest*; West Windsor Plainsboro High School South.

2 p.m.: Talk by Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts curators; Princeton University Bookstore.

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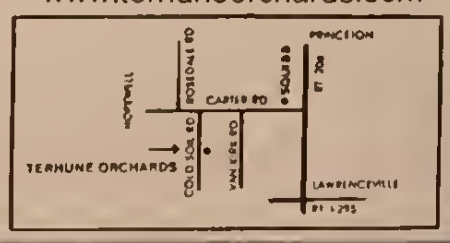

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Public School Advocates Nevertheless Urge Vote Against School Board Budget

To the Editor:

As parents whose daughter graduated from Princeton High and went on to Stanford University, we are advocates of public education. Our wish is for our outstanding School Board and educators to understand the economic realities of 2006. A good first draft on a $71.9 million budget with an increase of "only" 1.9 percent was not good enough. That is still an increase of $1.4 million dollars.

We understand we are losing some good teachers and great staff. We need more cuts. We need a budget that is flat this year, with no increase at all. The Board should do what all of us have to do: live within our means. We are sorry State aid is flat, and sorry that health costs have increased. But we must use better imagination, creativity, and synergy to reduce the budget some more.

We strongly urge our neighbors to support public education, yet vote against this budget on April 18. It is the only prudent thing to do.

ALVIN LEE
ESTHER THORNTON
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Her Commitment to Public Schools Commends Cahill for School Board

To the Editor:

I am writing to urge the voters of Princeton to do two things on Election Day: get out to vote, and when you do, vote for Mia Cahill, Princeton Township candidate for the School Board.

I have known Mia for many years as a friend, as a parent with a child the same age as mine, and as a volunteer for PTO events at Community Park Elementary School. As fund-raising chair at the Community Park PTO, she was passionate about the success of the school and eager to work on ways to enhance the opportunities for all children at the school.

Mia is an attorney who will bring excellent consensus-building skills to the Board. I greatly appreciate her ability to listen with fairness to all sides of an issue and balance that with the need to reach meaningful results.

Princeton schools have an excellent reputation, but we will need leaders on the School Board to guide us through the upcoming fiscal challenges. It is my belief Mia's experience and commitment to the Princeton schools make her the best candidate to elect on April 18.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, April 28, 2006

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Opening Plenary: Neo-Conservatives vs. Liberals: The Fight over Woodrow Wilson's Foreign Policy
Moderator: G. John Ikenberry
Confirmed Panelists: Thomas Knock '82, William Kristol, and Tony Smith
Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall
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1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
Woodrow Wilson and Race
Moderator: Eddie S. Glaude, Jr. '97
Confirmed Panelists: Nicholas Patler and Eric Vettel
Dodds Auditorium, Robertson Hall
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2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Woodrow Wilson in the State House: Governing in New Jersey
Moderator: David S. Broder
PRIOR Paper Author: Alan Ehrenhalt
Confirmed Panelist: Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. '79
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4:00 p.m.
Keynote Address
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Saturday, April 29, 2006

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Woodrow Wilson Portrait Unveiling Ceremony: Woodrow Wilson and the Princeton Shield
Speaker: Thomas J. Reed, MPA '71, artist
Lobby, Robertson Hall

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Woodrow Wilson at Princeton: Perspectives from University Presidents
Moderator: Shirley M. Tilghman
Panelists: Nannerl O. Keohane h'04, S. Georgia Nugent '73, and Neil L. Rudenstine '56, h'91
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By Roger Behar, M.D.
Princeton and Rutgers Neurology

Failure to evaluate fall risk is a major "misstep" in the treatment of seniors. Most people think of falling as an inevitable part of aging, but recent findings suggest that while risk factors may increase with aging, proper evaluation and treatment can greatly reduce falling in seniors. Seniors know that a fall is one of the greatest threats to their much-treasured independence. Falls can cause a serious physical injury, such as a fracture or head trauma. But a fall also leads to a fear of falling again, which can result in a loss of confidence, which in turn causes many seniors to decrease their activity. This can create a vicious cycle of increased weakness, joint stiffness, and an increased frailty, which leads to an even further decrease in activity, and possibly even the need to give up independent, community dwelling.

A number of factors can precipitate a fall. Medical disorders, such as Parkinson's Disease, stroke, vision problems, and even arthritis can certainly be to blame, but extrinsic, or environmental factors must be considered as well, such as tripping on a rug or falling in the shower. Certain medications can be responsible for a fall as well, as they may reduce alertness or cause dizziness. Sometimes, it is difficult to tell whether it is the medical problem or the medication the patient takes for it that is to blame for a fall.

Proper evaluation can enable seniors and their physicians to take steps to reduce the risk of a fall. Is there a history of previous falls? If so, the circumstances must be examined closely. Were environmental hazards involved, such as flooring or stairways? Did the patient experience any symptoms prior to falling, such as dizziness or palpitations? What medical problems does the patient have and what medications is he/she taking for them?

The Princeton and Rutgers Neurology Dizziness and Balance Center in Monroe Township is dedicated to evaluating fall risk in seniors with an emphasis on prevention. Its staff of neurologists and physical therapists go beyond diagnosing and treating neurological disorders. They treat the whole person, and plan a strategy for reducing risk factors and therefore the number of falls and fall-related injuries. The strategy may include physical therapy programs tailored to meet the patient's specific needs, review and modification of medication usage, advise on use of assistive devices that provide stability, such as walkers or canes, and even evaluation of environmental hazards, and how to eliminate them.

The Dizziness and Balance Center is located at 9 Center Drive, Bldg. #9, Suite #130, Monroe Township. For an appointment, call 609-395-7615. Visit the office website at princetonandrutgersneurology.com

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BOOKS

Playwright Beth Henley Talks at Library Thursday

Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Beth Henley will be at the Princeton Public Library this Thursday, April 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the first floor Community Room.

She will appear with director Lisa Peterson in a discussion of her world premiere comedy *Ridiculous Froud* as part of the McCarter Live at the Library series. Tamsen Wolff, assistant professor of drama in the English department at Princeton University, will moderate the session, which will explore the process of creating and staging a new work.

In the play, a disastrous New Orleans wedding rehearsal dinner is the latest in a series of unfortunate events that befall the Clay brothers. Daddy's in jail for fraud, Uncle Baltes has taken up with a panhandler, and Lafcad's just called off his own wedding.

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize for *Crimes of the Heort*, the Mississippi-born Ms. Henley returns to her Southern roots in *Ridiculous Froud*, an equally outsized saga of three grown brothers trying to outrun a family history that tends to the worst-case scenario.

Ms. Peterson has been Resident Director at the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles since 1995. Her McCarter productions have included *Night Governance* by Polly Pen and Condido by George Bernard Shaw. New York productions include *Light Shining in Buckinghomshire* by Caryl Churchill, for which she won an Obie Award.

Ms. Henley's appearance at the library is the latest in the popular McCarter Live at the Library series, which brings the principals of upcoming performances at the theater to the library for discussion sessions. A January session featured Moon for the Misbegotten director Gary Griffin. Ruben Santiago-Hudson, who directed August Wilson's *Gem of the Ocean*, appeared in September.

All Princeton Public Library programs are free and open to the public. The library is in the Sands Library Building at 65 Witherspoon St. in Princeton Borough.

For more information on library programs and services, visit www.princetonlibrary.org.

Princeton Borough Author To Read at Barnes & Noble

Princeton Borough resident Megan McCafferty will be reading from and signing copies of her new book, Charmed Thirds (Crown $25.95) at the Barnes & Noble at Marketfair on Tuesday, April 18 at 7 p.m.

Megan McCafferty

Her third novel, and the first to appear in hard cover, *Charmed Thirds* continues the story of Jessica Darling as she leaves her New Jersey hometown for New York's Columbia University.

Ms. McCafferty's debut novel, *Sloppy Firsts* (2001) began with Jessica and her friends at Pineville High. Two years later, Jessica, now a senior in high school, returned in *Second Helpings*. According to the publisher, more than 425,000 copies of her first two books are in print in ten countries, and she has established herself as a popular writer of fiction for young women.

Hopewell Library Benefit Features Lindbergh Case

The Friends of Hopewell Public Library are holding their annual benefit at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 30, at The Off-Broadstreet Theatre, 5 South Greenwood Avenue in Hopewell Borough. Jim Fisher, author of *The Lindbergh Case* and *The Ghosts of Hopewell* will present the facts, fiction, and discuss the ethics surrounding the Lindbergh case, once known as "the crime of the century."

The event will include hors d'oeuvres provided by Brother's Moon restaurant (in partnership with Schulte Restorations), a selection of wines, and coffee courtesy of Failte Coffeehouse. Tickets are $30 and seating is limited.

A former FBI agent, Jim Fisher taught criminal investigation, criminal law, and forensic science at Edinboro University in Pennsylvania for thirty years. He has been interviewed on numerous national television and radio shows and has been twice nominated for the Mystery Writers of America's Edgar Allan Poe Award. Mr. Fisher will present his theories concerning the Lindbergh abduction and will answer questions from the audience. His books will also be available for purchase and signed by the author. In addition, he is donating two first editions of *The Lindbergh Case* which will be raffled off that evening, and may be personally inscribed.

Organized by the Friends, the Wine and Words Benefit has been underwritten by numerous local businesses, ensuring that all the proceeds from ticket sales, book sales, and the book raffle will directly benefit the library. Tickets may be purchased at Hopewell Public Library, 13 E. Broad Street in Hopewell Borough, (609) 466-1625, or through the website, www.friendsofhopewelllibrary.com. If still available, remaining tickets will be sold that evening at the theater.

Princeton Public Library Hosts Mayhem Poets

The Mayhem Poets, a New Brunswick-based poetry performance troupe, will return to the Princeton Public Library on Monday, April 17, at 7 p.m. in a program for teens and adults.

The young poets, Scott Tarazevits, Kyle Sutton, and Mason Granger, have performed in theaters, schools, correctional institutions, hospitals, poetry slams, and at open-mic nights throughout the region.

"We are a diverse and dynamic courageous collective of young writers and artists dedicated and devoted to bringing slam and performance poetry into university, high school, and middle school classrooms," the group says on its website.

The Mayhem Poets have collaborated with HBO Def Poetry, Arts Power National Touring Theater, and Young Audiences of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

At Princeton Public Library, their appearance will showcase slam and performance poetry, using hip hop rhythms and dynamic theatrical techniques to redefine poetry. The group appeared last summer as part of the library's Word for Word series.

All Princeton Public Library programs are free and open to the public. When programs require registration, preference is given to library cardholders. The library is in the Sands Library Building at 65 Witherspoon St. in Princeton Borough. Special assistance is available for library customers with disabilities. Those with special needs should contact the library 48 hours before any program to arrange for accommodations. Call (609) 924-9529.

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Samuel Beckett Symposium At 185 Nassau This Friday

A Samuel Beckett Centenary Symposium will be held in the Stewart Film Theatrer at 185 Nassau Street Friday, April 14.

The symposium will begin with an illlustrated talk, "Samuel Beckett & the Wake of Katy Tyrell,"by photographer John Minihan, whose photographs of Princess Diana, Francis Bacon, and Andy Warhol taken during the course of his work as a press photographer, became known worldwide. His friendship with Samuel Beckett led to a book: *Photographs: Somuel Beckett* (1995). A year later he published Shodows *from the Pole: Portroit of* on *Irish Town*.

At 3:30 p.m. John P. Harrington will discuss "Beckett & America." A professor in the School of Humanities & Social Sciences at Rensselaer, Mr. Harrington has written extensively on Irish literature and culture, including the books *The English Traveller in Ireland* (1990); *The Irish Beckett* (1991); and *The Irish Play on the New York Stage* (1997).

A panel discussion, "Beckett Now," with Princeton University's Kimberly Bohman, Maria DiBattista, and Michael Wood, will take place at 4:30 p.m. The moderator will be Michael Cadden, senior lecturer in the Council of the Humanities and Theater and Dance, and director of the Program in Theater and Dance.

The final event will be Sean O'Mordha's 8 p.m. screening of his documentary, *Samuel Beckett: Silence to Silence*.

The symposium is free and open to the public.

Chamber of Commerce Hosts Business Author McGrath

Business author Rita Gunther McGrath will speak at the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce "Business Before Breakfast" meeting on Wednesday, April 19, at the Nassau Club, 6 Mercer Street in Princeton.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 a.m. with registration and a buffet breakfast and will adjourn at 9:15 a.m. Ms. McGrath will be available for a book-signing afterward. In her remarks, she will discuss how to view the entire customer experience as the customer sees it and how to identify areas for improvement. She will also speak about "Marketbuster Strategies," actions taken by firms that provoke drastic changes in the way customer needs are addressed. Ms. McGrath co-authored *The Entrepreneurial Mindset: Strategies for Continuously Creating Opportunity in an Age of Uncertainty*, which was published in 2000 by the Harvard Business School Press and continues to be among the 20 best-selling business books to corporations. Cost to attend is $20 for Chamber members and $25 for non-members. Reservations in advance are required and can be made by calling (609) 924-1776 or visiting www.princetonchamber.org.

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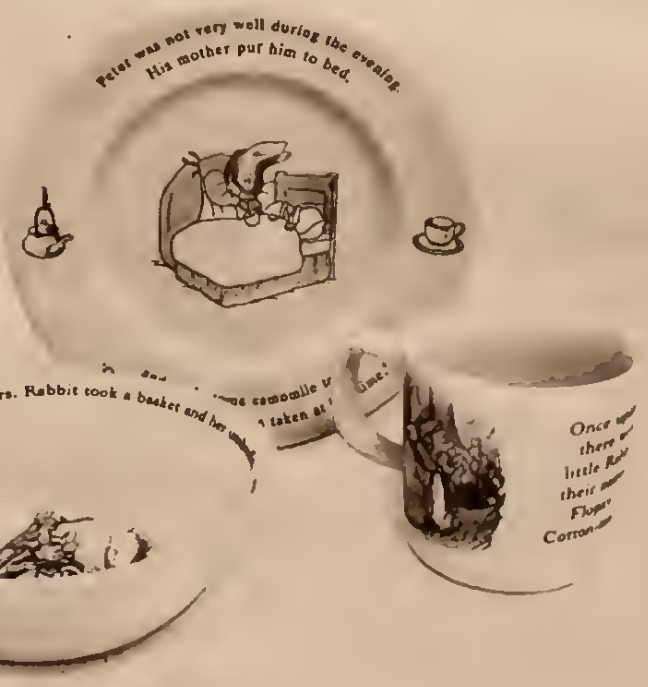

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ART REVIEW

Gem of an Exhibition Marks the 100th anniversary of Lake Carnegie

As a child growing up in central Scotland, my weekly petition for pocket money invariably provoked the following response from my father: "And just who d'ye think I am, Carnegie?"

Andrew Carnegie's name still stands for the quintessential rags to riches tale. Even today, stories are told in Carnegie's home town of Dunfermline of the poor weaver's son who made a fortune in America. "Wee Andra" made a big impression there when he returned to ride with his mother in a grand carriage over the town's cobbled streets right up to, and through, the wrought iron gates of the grand estate which had been closed to him and the rest of the townsfolk when he was a boy. The steel magnate, second only in wealth to John D. Rockefeller, acquired the estate and presented it as his gift to the people of Dunfermline, where it is a public park at the town's center.

Throughout his life, Carnegie responded to appeals to fund philanthropic projects that would benefit the many—3,000 public fending libraries, the Carnegie Institute of Technology, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, and the Carnegie Corporation of New York, founded in 1911.

One other project that bears his name is Princeton's own Lake Carnegie, which celebrates its centennial this year. An exhibition at Princeton University's Firestone Library marks the occasion with a display of 60 period photographs taken during the fake's construction in 1905 and 1906.

The vintage photographs result from the discovery, a decade ago, of a cache of glass negatives by staff in the University's office of Physical Planning. A box of photographic plates turned up in a closet inside the University's MacMillan Building and thence found its way to the University archives. "We didn't know what we'd find," said University Archivist and exhibition curator Dan Linke, "But what was inside was in good condition."

The box contained remarkably undamaged glass-pfate negatives documenting the creation of Lake Carnegie, or Princeton Lake, as it was known originally. Thanks to a grant from the New Jersey Historicaf Commission, the pfates have been cleaned. First contact prints and then 8 x 10 enlargements were made. The exhibition, "O, What a Place for a Lake: The Centennial of the Construction of Loch Carnegie," wiff be on view in Firestone Library's Milberg Gallery tfirough September 24.

Whife no one is exactly sure who the photographer was, it is likefy to have been one the engineers who oversaw the lake's construction. The photographs are remarkably fresh and clear and the exhibition is well presented, both visually and chronologically. Curator Dan Linke has done a remarkable feat of detective work in figuring out the chronology of the images and their place in the lake's narrative. "One of the fun parts," he said, "was driving around the lake and capturing a mentaf image of it to compare with the photographs, matching views that are now altered by trees." The stages of the lake's production are clearly defined and presented in groups of photographs with documents from the period.

John Walaka, senior conservation technician at the Milberg Gallery of the Firestone Library, has used design elements inspired by the Princeton University boathouse to accent the dispfay and explanatory notes accompanying each photographic chapter in the story of the iake, which had its beginnings in 1902 when Andrew Carnegie sat for a portrait in New York City.

Portrait Painter

It was portrait painter and Princeton University graduate (class of 1876) Howard Russell Butler who fired Carnegie's imagination (and opened the Scotsman's wallet) for the project that would flood Princeton's Millstone River valley. While sitting for the artist, Carnegie chatted about the iochs of his native Scotland. Presumably seeing his chance to lobby for the lake he had dreamed of when crewing with the varsity team, Butler described team practice on the narrow Delaware & Raritan canal in competition with commercial boats traveling between New York and Philadelphia. The team had disbanded in 1886.

Back in Butfer's day, there had been talk of flooding the marshy land around Washington Road bridge to create a lake. University President Woodrow Wilson had even approached Carnegie about funding for this and other projects but his request was so low-key that it failed to elicit a response. Butler's personal interest must have made the artist eloquent, for Carnegie asked him to look into the cost of the project.

After consulting a New York engineering firm, Butler reported to Carnegie that a lake three miles long and some 400 to 800 feet wide could be constructed for $118,000. That's about $2.5 milfion in today's figures. According to the exhibition's notes compiled by Mr. Linke: "It was one of the great underestimations in Princeton's history. The finaf cost would be about $450,000 (about $9.5 million today)."

Carnegie traveled to Princeton to take a look for himself. "O, What a Place for a Lake!," he is supposed to have said, the remark from which the exhibition takes its title.

On the back of the handwritten letter that Butler sent to Carnegie on July 16, 1902, Carnegie immediatefy penned a note about the proposed "loch" to retired U.S. President and Princeton resident Grover Cleveland. The letter and a facsimile of Carnegie's note are on display.

Building a Loch

As early as 1903, a group of Princeton alumni began buying the farmland that occupied much of the projected lake's basin. "Their discreet work allowed Carnegie to amass the acreage without raising the suspicion (or prices!) of focal residents," according to the exhibition notes. "By 1905, the necessary land was secured, and crews set to work felling trees, pulling and burning stumps, moving earth, and constructing bridges and the dam."

The lake stands at the southern end of the University's campus. The dam that makes it possible stretches from the Delaware & Raritan Canal towpath almost to the present Route 27. At 650 feet long, 4 feet wide, and 27 feet tall—with 17 feet anchored in solid rock befow ground level—the dam required more than 3, 600 cubic yards of masonry and flooded some 1,200 acres.

While the lake bears the name of the millionaire who financed it, the names of the immigrant laborers—ftalian and Hungarian men who cut down trees, dug up roots, hauled a total of 5,000 barrels of cement, and built bridges and dams using horses and mule—are lost to us. They worked 10 or 12 hour days, save for New Year's Day 1906 when their work time was shortened to eight hours, as a handwritten record book records.

The lake opened officially on December 5, 1906. Princeton University students were given the day off to attend. Originally called Princeton Lake, it quickly became "Carnegie Lake" and "wee Andra" came to Princeton on a private rail car with some of his friends. John D. Rockefeller was one of them. From the Alexander Road bridge, he watched ice skaters on the frozen waters.

But the best laid schemes o' mice an' men...as Carnegie's countryman Robert Burns has admonished. The shallow lake soon began to silt up and flooding resulted. The University has dredged the lake three times, in 1927, in the late 1930s, and in 1971. The last excavation gave it a uniform depth of nine feet, at a distance of 35 feet from the shoreline. During the Great Depression, the Works Progress Administration undertook a significant rebuilding of the dam.

Today it serves as home for Princeton's crew program and is also a recreational resource for the townsfolk of Princeton. The town's most celebrated resident, Albert Einstein, sailed on the fake and there is still a public boat launch just north of Washington Road bridge on the lake's western shore. Visitors fish from the bridges, canoe and kayak on the water, and watch birds—ducks, geese, cormorants, as well as songbirds, flickers and recently a resident pair of bald eagles—on and around its shores.

MR. CARNEGIE AND HIS LAKE: A white-bearded Andrew Carnegie with other dignitaries on the prow of what looks to be a canal boat on the occasion of the first Princeton Regatta held fn November 1907, a year after the lake that bears his name was officially dedicated in December 1906. The photograph Is an enlargement trom an originaf print that was made from a giass photographfc negatfve, one ot a collectfon documenting the lake's construction a century ago, on vfew as part ot the exhibftion, "O, What a Place for a Lake: The Centennial ot the Construction ot Loch Carnegie," In Firestone Library's Milberg Gallery.

(Photo courtesy of Princeton University Archives)

Gem of an Exhibit

All in all, this is a gem of an exhibit and well worth seeking out. Among the items of particufar note is the Princeton Lake small celebratory booklet titled Princeton Lake, printed in 1906 by H.M. Hinkson, then of 74 Nassau Street, and a photograph showing the Kingston Mill with flour sacks stacked Inside the second floor window.

The last part of the exhibit is a giass case with a sample of one of the photographic plates from which the prints have been made. The glass plate shows its negative image. Next to it are two prints, one made before and one made after the plate was cleaned. The case also includes some of the original containers in which the negatives were found.

O, What a Pface for a Lake: The Centenniaf of the Construction of Loch Carnegie," opened Sunday, April 9, in Firestone Library's Milberg Gallery and will run though Sept. 24. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and; noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tours will be given on May 7, July 9 and Sept. 2 at 3 p.m.

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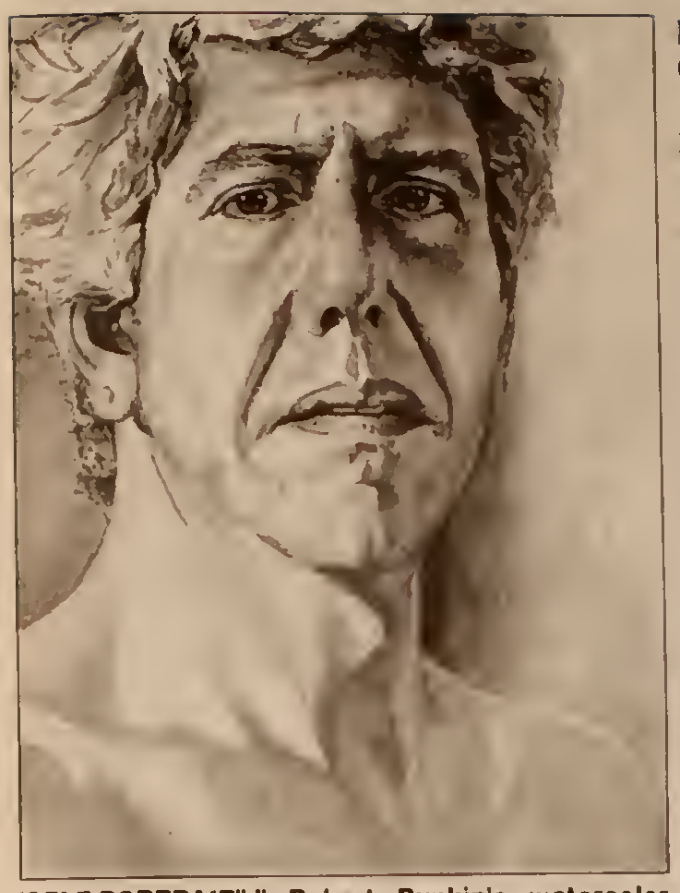

'SELF-PORTRAIT":" Robert Bunkin's watercolor was done in 2003. He will speak on the history of portraiture at Mercer County Community College on April 20. (Photo by Noel Allum)

Painter, Art Historian To Talk on Portraiture

Robert Bunkin, painter, art historian, and independent curator, will lecture on "Lesser Known Masterpieces of Portraiture" at Mercer County Community College on Thursday, April 20 at 12 noon. Offered as part of the college's Distinguished Lecture Series, the talk will be held on Mercer's West Windsor campus in the Communications Building, Room 110, 1200 Old Trenton Road. The program is free and open to the public.

According to Mr. Bunkin, "Portraits are a kind of mirror: time-transcending reflections of who we are and what we look like. Many of the world's artistic treasures are portraits." This illustrated slide talk will focus on some of the lesser known masterpieces of this genre and will draw from women artists, Asian, Central and South American, European and North American artists. He will consider questions such as whether all eras demand a flattering likeness and whether all portraits are honest.

Mr. Bunkin is a native New Yorker. His figurative paintings have been featured in numerous group and solo exhibitions in New York and abroad. He has been on the art history faculty of Parsons School of Design for over 15 years and has taught in museums and other colleges. He lived in Italy for more than two years, where he studied the technique of buon fresco painting.

In 2005 Mr. Bunkin curated "About Faces: Portraits Past and Present" for the Staten Island Museum at Snug Harbor Cultural Center. The exhibit included 36 historic portrait paintings, sculptures and drawings ranging from ancient Egypt to 19th and 20th century artists, along with the work of 24 contemporary artists who have made major contributions to the tradition of portraiture. He has also taught the history of world portraiture.

Mr. Bunkin is the recipient of a 2003 Original Work Grant from the Council on the Arts & Humanities for Staten Island. He has won numerous awards and grants for his work.

For more information call 609-586-4800 ext. 3324.

Martini's 'Head 2 Head' Can Now Be Seen on I-295

A massive sculpture, *Head 2 Head*, by John Martini, which is over 30 feet tall and 27 feet long, now resides along I-295 southbound before exit 65B. The work is part of Sculpture Along the Way, the result of an ongoing partnership between Grounds For Sculpture and local area businesses, government, and private property owners in Hamilton that began in 1999 to herald the location of the sculpture park as well as the advent of the new Hamilton Rail station.

The largest of any John Martini sculpture to date, *Head 2 Head* was made by layering two identical pieces of steel, and brushing on solid enamel colors of red and blue. Mr. Martini usually uses a cutting-torch to create his work, allowing the intense heat to scorch the paint, leaving a dark edge where the steel is exposed. With Head 2 *Head*, the steel was welded, plasma cut, and painted black around the rim to create the same effect.

The Sculpture Along the Way program has placed over 20 sculptures in the surrounding community to help further the sculpture park's mission to extend awareness of contemporary sculpture. By placing artworks outside the traditional context of a museum, Grounds For Sculpture provides increased public and community access to today's sculpture, breaking down barriers while providing artists with a unique opportunity to exhibit their work. In this way public art becomes a more vital part of daily life because it exists where people work and live.

Sculptures on view include works by John Henry, William King, John Newman and Larry Bell.

Head 2 Head was a site-specific commission by The Sculpture Foundation Inc. for Grounds For Sculpture in 1999 for this I-295 location, owned by Hamilton Township.This project has been in the works for the past seven years. Director/Curator Brooke Barrie and Project Manager Bruce Daniels were largely responsible for contacting the numerous controlling agencies involved. It was only through the joint partnership of Hamilton Township and the approval and permits received by the New Jersey Department of Transportation and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection that the project became a reality.

Kinetic Sculpture

Grounds For Sculpture's Toad Hall Shop & Gallery is currently presenting "Driven: Kinetic Sculpture by Jeff Kahn and Rein Triefeldt" through July 15, 2006. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Jeff Kahn began his art career in Philadelphia in the early 1970s as a successful metal smith, producing and selling his own line of custom jewelry. With an interest in sculpture, he honed his skills by working in machine shops and with furniture manufacturers. By the mid-1980s he was creating kinetic sculptures utilizing all the skills learned as a jeweler, machinist, and woodworker. His kinetic sculptures explore a delicate balance between hard metal, precious wood, tiny jeweled bearing surfaces, and imperceptible currents of air to provide an unlimited range of movement and design.

New Jersey artist Rein Triefeldt has been creating kinetic sculpture for almost 20 years. Known for his kinetic "Flyers" (acrobatic figures), Triefeldt has created projects such as Olympic High Flyer for the 1996 Centennial Olympics in Atlanta, and Variki Arcand Russian Swing for Cirque du Soleil International. His "Chaotic Flyers," currently on view at the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia, is made of bronze and stainless steel. It consists of three pendulums connected at a center hub. At the end of each pendulum is a "Flyer" and when the center hub is turned the entire system is in motion. The motion of the sculpture is completely unpredictable, creating a chaotic trapeze act.

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Jeff Kahn and Rein Triefeldt will also be featured in the upcoming Spring/Summer 2006 Exhibition at Grounds For Sculpture, entitled "MomentuM: Selections from the Kinetic Art Organization," which will run from May 14 through September 24.

Grounds For Sculpture is a non-profit organization, consisting of a 35-acre sculpture park, two indoor museum facilities, Toad Hall Shop & Gallery and Rat's restaurant. It is located on the site of the former New Jersey State Fairgrounds at 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton, New Jersey, 08619. For additional information on programs and events, call (609) 586-0616, ext. 20 or visit the web site at www.groundsforsculpture.org.

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Janet Kennedy, professor, Department of the History of Art, Indiana University
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"UNLOCKING THE FOREST." Tasha O'Neill's photograph shows the keyhole entrance in garden wall of the Rockefeller Gardens. It will be included in her exhibit, "My Personal View of Mt. Desert Island," which will be on view along with the photographs of Martin Schwartz at Gallery 14 in Hopewell from April 21 through May 28, with a reception for the public from 6 to 9 p.m. on April 21.The photographers will also be present to meet the public and discuss their work on Sunday, April 23, from 1 to 3 p.m.

O'Neill and Schwartz Exhibiting at Gallery 14

Two members of Gallery 14, Tasha O'Neill and Martin Schwartz will be the subject of a joint exhibition that opens on Friday, April 21, with a reception for the public from 6 to 9 p.m. The photographers will also be on hand to discuss their work on Sunday, April 23, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Gallery 14 is located at 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell.

In "My Personal View of Mt. Desert Island," Tasha O'Neill records a "love affair" with Mt. Desert Island, Maine, that began 22 years ago. She and her husband, both pilots, considered it the perfect spot to spend their summers as a getaway from their home in Princeton. Ms. O'Neill's home in Seal Cove is on the 'quiet side' of the island, which is where her photography took shape. Fellow artists encouraged her to experiment with varying subjects adding to and building on the flowers and butterfly portraits of her early years. More recently, her digital SLR camera has captured the moments that a tourist might miss: looking over the shoulder of a plein air painter, encountering a whimsical root figure in a moss garden, discovering a keyhole shaped entrance to the private Rockefeller Gardens.

The photographs in "Buzzing Burgundy" by Martin Schwartz of West Windsor were taken in the summer of 2005 during a trip on a canal barge from Dijon to Lyon, France, with numerous side trips to other cities and villages enroute: Beaune, Autun, Cluny, and St. Jean de Losne among others. Mr. Schwartz's photographs represent his attempt to capture the spirit of the region. Though his time there was limited, he concentrated on intimate landscapes, street scenes, local people engaged in their everyday life, and in a bit of history as well. He used a technical process called "buzzing," which is a filter that allowed him to take details from an image, and then place it back in the image in small increments. He will be discussing this technique of image modification during the "Meet the Photographers" gathering on Sunday, April 23.

The gallery is open on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. and by appointment.

Other photographs by Martin Schwartz and Tasha O'Neill may be found on the Gallery 14 website, www.photosgallery14.com. For furtrher information, call the Gallery at (609) 333-8S11.

OCTOBER: This oil on canvas by William Francis Taylor is among the works on display in the James A. Michener's 20th Anniversary Byers Bucks Fever Art Exhibition,"Bucks County Collects Bucks County," which will be on view at no charge through April 23. Free admission does not include the $4 special fee for "Ansel Adams: Celebration of Genius."

Free Admission Offered By Michener Art Museum

The James A. Michener Art Museum is offering free general admission in celebration of 20 years of Byers Bucks Fever Art Exhibitions. Visitors won't pay general admission during the course of the 20th Anniversary Byers Bucks Fever Art Exhibition: "Bucks County Collects Bucks County," on view through April 23. Free admission does not include the $4 special fee for "Ansel Adams: Celebration of Genius."

Free admission is made possible through the generosity of Marguerite and Gerry Lenfest and the Lomax Family Foundation. The Intelligencer and the Bucks County Courier Times are media partners of this exhibition.

This is the first time the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce has partnered with the James A. Michener Art Museum to bring an exhibit of private works of Bucks County's artists collected by Bucks County collectors and Chamber members. For 20 years, Bob and Joyce Byers have sponsored the Byers Bucks Fever art exhibits. In honor of the anniversary of these exhibitions the Michener is mounting a special selection of Pennsylvania Impressionist paintings drawn from regional private collections. This exhibit features some of the finest works by landscape painters who lived and worked in the New Hope area. The works will include rarely seen paintings by Walter Baum, Rae Sloan Bredin, Fern I. Coppedge, John F. Folinsbee, Daniel Garber, William L. Lathrop, Harry Leith-Ross, M. Elizabeth Price, Edward. W. Redfield, George Sotter, William Francis Taylor.

The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street, Doylestown. Gallery hours: Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to S p.m.; Sunday, noon to' S p.m. Galleries are closed Monday. More information available at (21S) 340-9800 or www.michenerartmuseum.org.

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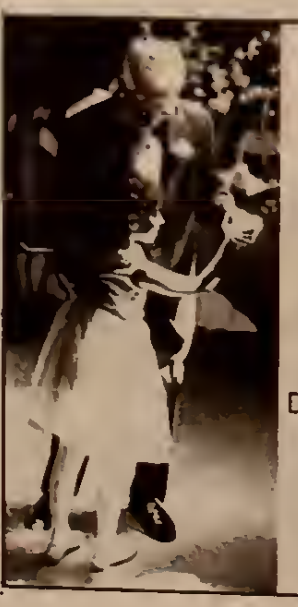

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The Arts Council of Princeton's conTEMPORARY Arts Center, located in the Princeton Shopping Center, is presenting two new exhibits, "Small Works for a Small Space" and the Kids Earth Fund's "Kids Helping Kids." Both shows feature works of art by a multitude of artists and will run through April 15.

A.R.T.space Gallery, 53 Hulfish Street in Princeton, will be presenting "The Passion of the Underdogs," which will feature painting and sculpture by contemporary artists working with A.R.T. at Woodbridge Developmental Center in Woodbridge. The exhibit will be on view through May 5.

Cranbury Station Galley at 28 Palmer Square East is presenting Sydney Neuwirth's artworks on ballet, "Preparation and Performance," through April 30.

The Gallery at Mercer County Community College will be showing the prize-winning artwork of "Mercer County Artists 2006" through April 14.

Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street in Hopewell, will be featuring the work of photographer Frank Magalhães and guest photographer, David Wurtzel, through April 16.

Grounds for Sculpture's Toad Hall Shop & Gallery is currently presenting "Driven: Kinetic Sculpture by Jeff Kahn and Rein Triefeldt" through July 15, 2006. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Other exhibits, on view through April 30, are "Menhirs, Dreams, Myths, and Deities," "Balanced Dialogue: 10th Anniversary of the Hungarian Sculptors Society," and the International Sculpture Center's 2005 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Awards. Grounds for Sculpture is located at 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (609) 586-0616, or visit www.groundsforsculpture.org.

The Historical Society of Princeton is currently exhibiting, "U.S. Presidents: Famous Faces in Princeton Places," and "The Windmill Turns Slowly: Photographs of the Updike Farm," on view through summer 2006. Museum hours are Tuesday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (609) 921-6748.

The Hopewell Frame Shop Gallery at 24 Broad Street in Hopewell will be hosting an exhibition of watercolors by Lawrenceville resident Alice Warshaw through April 29.

The Hunterdon Museum of Art is presenting an exhibit featuring Ilene Sunshine and Bennett Bean. The exhibit will run through June 4. For more information, call (908) 735-8415.

The James A. Michener Art Museum in Doylestown is presenting a major exhibition of works by photographer Ansel Adams through May 14. "Radical Vision: The Revolution in American Photography," which will be on view through May 28. Two new exhibits: "The Heart of Haiti," which features 20 portraits by Philadelphia-area photographer Andrea Baldeck, will run through July 9. "An Enduring Gift: The Marguerite and Gerry Lenfest Collection," will be on view through July 2. The museum is located at 138 South Pine Street in Doylestown. For more information, call (215) 340-9800.

An exhibition featuring 160 of Judith Leiber's award-winning handbags will be open through April 30 in the Della Penna Gallery of the **James A. Michener Art Museum in New Hope.** For more information, call 215-862-7633, or, for both museums, visit www.michenerartmuseum.org.

The Jane Vorhees Zimmerli Art Museum's is presenting "Piranesi: Architecture of the Eye and Mind" through July 27; "Dialogues: Mexican Modernity," through June 25; "Strange Mr. Satie Comes to the Zimmerli: Children's Book Illustrations by Petra Mathers," through July 16; Soviet Propaganda Posters, Part III, through October 1; "Serialities, Part 2: Repetition and Narrative in Soviet Nonconformist Art," through September 17. "In and Around Dvizhenie (The Movement Group)" will be on view in the Dubrow Galleries through October 8. The Zimmerli is located at 71 Hamilton Street on the College Avenue campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick. For more information, call (732) 932-7237, ext. 610, or visit www.zimmerlimuseum.rutgers.edu.

The Montgomery Center for the Arts is presenting an exhibition entitled "In Diaspora: NJ Artists of Indo-Pakistani Heritage," set to run through April 30.

Morven Museum is presenting "Capturing the Spirit: Virginia Snedeker and the American Scene," its first exhibit of fine art, which will run through November 26.

The New Jersey State Museum in Trenton is currently hosting the exhibition, "Photographs by African-Americans: Works in the Collection of the New Jersey State Museum," in the Alcove Gallery in the Museum's Auditorium through April 30. The museum is located at 225 West State Street.

The Numina Gallery at Princeton High School will be showing a selection of works by Raphael Montanez Ortiz and Monique Ortiz-Arndt through April 28.

The Present Day Club at 72 Stockton Street in Princeton is presenting an exhibit of the work of illustrator Gennady Spirin through April 30. The public is invited to visit the exhibit between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

The Princeton Day School is featuring works by sculptors Dana Stewart, Harry Gordon, and Elizabeth McCue in a recently installed sculpture park on the grounds of the main campus. The display will be on view until June 15, 2006. The school is at 650 the Great Road, Princeton.

The Princeton University Art Museum is presenting a major new exhibition, "Mir Iskusstva: Russia's Age of Elegance," which will be on view through June 11. "Worldly Guardians of the Buddhist Law," an exhibition of handscrolls, will be on view at the Princeton University Art Museum through July 9. The exhibition, "Andy Warhol: Electric Chair," will run through June 25.

Riverrun Gallery in Lambertville will be hosting "Solebury Land Preservation Photography Project," an exhibition of photographs by Mark Ludak that will run through April 15.

The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie Mansion in Cadwalader Park and the Trenton Museum Society are presenting "Drawn Together," an invitational exhibit featuring the work of John Ennis, Simon Mauer, Robert Miele, Steve Smith, and George Thompson. The show will run through April 16.

The University Medical Center at Princeton will be showcasing the work of close to 100 artists in ArtFirst!, an international juried exhibition and sale featuring art and fine crafts by professional artists with physical and mental disabilities. The show will run through Friday, May 5. Hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m daily.

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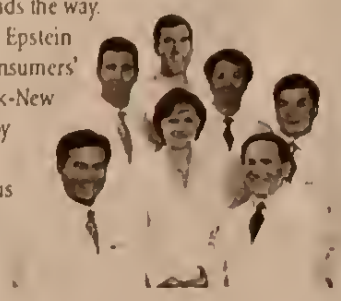
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The State Theatre performance will kick off a tour of approximately one dozen concerts. "We're thrilled to be their first stop on this tour," said Wesley O. Brustad, State Theatre President. "They're one of the most popular groups of the 1960s, their roots run deep, and their appeal spans four generations of folk fans."

Mary Travers, who is recovering from leukemia and a bone marrow transplant earlier this year, has received more than 10,000 e-mails from well-wishers around the world. "The messages were so heartfelt and so lovely," she said. "You really get to a place where you begin to feel all that goodwill. All those prayers are really part of the medicine that make you well."

Few groups of any genre have logged more years (43) or miles in yearly touring than Peter, Paul & Mary. During its now legendary career, the trio won five Grammy Awards, produced five Top 10 albums and 13 Top 40 hits (six of them Top 10), and six gold and three platinum albums.

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MUSIC REVIEW

Westminster Vocal Ensemble Brings Precision And Clarity to Rarely-Performed Work

Within Westminster Choir College there are numerous musical ensembles addressing varied historical periods or specialties. Westminster Kantorei, conducted by Andrew Megill, is the College's chamber choir specializing in music of the Renaissance and Baroque eras. One of the key transition pieces in music history moving from the Renaissance to the Baroque is Claudio Monteverdi's *Vespro della Beata Virgine*, more commonly known as *Vespers*. Dr. Megill combined the student Kantorei with the professional Fuma Sacra on Friday night to present this thirteen-movement work at Bristol Chapel, on the campus of the Choir College.

Although Monteverdi's *Vespers* has been known since the early 17th century, the authenticity of the work was always in question. In recent years, the piece has become a standard part of the choral repertory, but because of its complexity and intricate musical effects, it takes a brave and confident ensemble to perform the *Vespers* in its entirety.

Dr. Megill has been the conductor of Kantorei since its inception in 2004, and he has trained his collegiate singers well in the necessary precision and inflections of the music of this time period. Fuma Sacra brings together nine vocal soloists with vast experience in stylistic singing of the 17th and 18th centuries, and the two ensembles together covered well the difficult and elaborate passages of this piece.

Monteverdi's vocal and choral music is significant in the composer's emphasis on moving singing to a more expressive medium and in its combining of chorus with extensive instrumentation. In true Kantorei tradition, the soloists came from within the chorus, and throughout the evening, soloists appeared in a wide range of combinations and locations in the Chapel.

The soloists of Fuma Sacra displayed solid musicianship and expertise in Monteverdi's rapidly shifting musical effects, including double dotted rhythms and the *agitate concitato* style used to bring out the emotionality of the text. Sopranos Laura Heimes and Rebecca Mariman, alto Alyson Harvey, tenor Nathan Davis, and basses Devin Mariman and Timothy Wilds were especially notable in their musical expression. Mr. Davis had two solos in particular in which he demonstrated a solid command of the operatic style of the piece. Ms. Heimes and Ms. Mariman were often paired together, easily and simultaneously manipulating the rhythm, and shifting on a musical dime between major and minor keys. With musical cadences often coming in the middle of actual sentences, the two sopranos were adept at changing technique.

Also Alyson Harvey maneuvered well through the very low registers originally composed for a male voice. Basses Mr. Mariman and Mr. Wilds provided very well balanced duet passages, and Mr. Wilds was especially emotive in the closing *Magnificat* portion of the work. A number of other unidentified but solid soloists came from the chorus. Many of these solos were accompanied by the theorbo, a member of the lute family, which was elegantly played by Deb Fox.

The choral sound, as to be expected from a Westminster ensemble, was precise and clean. Dr. Megill's conducting style acknowledged the barless musical effects and especially kept the chant sections moving along. One could easily hear Monteverdi's interest on emphasizing the words, and both chorus and orchestra were aided by the ease of performing in the Bristol Chapel space.

Friday night's concert was to be repeated Saturday night in New York City, where there is a considerable audience for early music. Monteverdi's Vespers is not often performed, and this concert, in addition to hopefully drawing a good crowd in the City, surely also served as a good representation of the Choir College to the public.

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Westminster Choir Plans Program of Sacred Music

The Westminster Symphonic Choir will perform a dramatic program of sacred music for choir and organ entitled *Visions of God* in the Princeton University Chapel on Friday, April 28 at 8 p.m. A pre-performance talk with composers James Whitbourn and M. Joseph Rendulic will be presented at 7 p.m.

Led by interim conductor Timothy Brown and accompanied by organist Eric Plutz, the ensemble will perform Ralph Vaughan Williams' *Moss in G minor*, Thomas Tallis' 40-part motet *Spem in alium*, Mr. Rendulic's *Ana Beko'ach*, and Mr. Whitbourn's *Son of God* Mass.

The concert will also be performed at the Cathedral Church of Saint John the Divine in New York the following evening, April 29 at 8 p.m.

The *Mass in G minor* pays homage to the traditions of Tudor church music while remaining distinctively 20th-century. The Tallis motet for eight choirs is considered one of the treasures of Elizabethan English music. The *Son of God* Mass, scored for choir, organ, and soprano saxophone, was composed for the BBC series of the same name.

Composed of students at Westminster Choir College of Rider University, the 150-voice Westminster Symphonic Choir has recorded and performed with major orchestras for the past 75 years. Recognized as one of the world's leading choral ensembles, the choir has sung over 300 performances with the New York Philharmonic alone. Its 2005-06 season has included performances of Mozart's *Mass in C, Coronation*, with the New York Philharmonic, conducted by Lorin Maazel, and Mozart's *Requiem* with the New Jersey Symphony conducted by Bernard Labadie.

The interim conductor of the Westminster Choir and Westminster Symphonic Choir, Mr. Brown is also director of the Clare College (Cambridge University) Choir. A British citizen, he enjoyed his initial musical training as a chorister at Westminster Abbey, and later as an alto choral scholar at King's College, Cambridge. After several years as a schoolteacher, he succeeded John Rutter as director of music at Clare College in 1979, where he is also academic director of studies in music. In 1986 he re-founded the Cambridge University Chamber Choir, which he directed in annual performances of all the major Bach and Handel oratorios.

Mr. Plutz, the accompanist for both the Westminster Choir and the Westminster Symphonic Choir, is also principal organist at Princeton University. From 1995 to 2004 he was organist and director of music at the Church of the Epiphany in Washington, D.C., during which time he was also organist at Temple Sinai and accompanist of the Cantate Chamber Singers.

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Westminster Conservatory Plans Free Faculty Recital

The Westminster Conservatory at Nassau noontime concert series will continue on Thursday, April 20 at 12:15 p.m. with *Bird Songs*, a program of music for soprano, flute, and piano at Nassau Presbyterian Church. The free half-hour program will be presented in the church's Niles Chapel.

The performers, all members of the Westminster Conservatory faculty, will be Danielle Sinclair, soprano; Ellen Fisher Deerberg, flute; and Kathy Shanklin, piano.

The program will include *Lo! Here the Gentle Lork* by Bishop, *Sweet Suffolk Owl* by Richard Hundley, *Sweet Bird* by Handel, and *Bird-Song* by Michael Head.

Ms. Sinclair has performed with orchestras throughout the country. She has appeared in numerous operatic roles including Musetta in *La Bohème*, Despina in *Così fan tutte*, Belinda in *Dido and Aeneas*, Zerlina in *Don Giovanni*, Gretel in *Hansel and Gretel*, and Mabel in *Pirates of Penzance*. In 1995 she was named grand prize winner of the Opera at Florham Guild Competition. She teaches voice at Westminster Conservatory and maintains a private voice studio in Plainsboro.

Ms. Deerberg received her bachelor's degree in music performance from Temple University. She has performed principal flute with the Kennett Symphony Orchestra, Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra, and Delaware Children's Opera. In addition to her membership on the Westminster Conservatory faculty she currently teaches at the Bryn Mawr Conservatory of Music.

Ms. Shanklin is the director of music at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in Bridgewater and the organist at Temple Beth'el in Somerville. In addition to her faculty position at Westminster Conservatory, she is an adjunct music instructor at the Lawrenceville School.

The 2005-06 season of Westminster Conservatory at Nassau, a collaborative effort between Nassau Presbyterian Church and Westminster Conservatory, will conclude on May 18 with a solo piano recital by Eunju Joung.

Millstone Valley Chorus To Audition New Singers

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The concert will be the Leon Siskowitz Cultural Fund of Adath Israel's first event to promote Jewish arts and community fellowship.

A Tapestry of Jewish Choral Music will celebrate the diversity of Jewish choral music. The two choirs will perform Gerald Cohen's Passover Cantata, *V'Higad'to L'Vincho: And You Shall Tell Your Child*, for mixed chorus, piano, cello, and clarinet, and Israel Prize winner Yehezkel Braun's *Songs of Solomon*.

In addition, Pro Musica will present *Five Hebrew Love Songs*, composed by Eric Whitacre and his wife, poet/soprano Hila Pitman. Sharim V'Sharot will perform a Yiddish rendition of Scott Joplin's *Maple Leaf Rag* and an arrangement by choir president Dr. Stephen Cohen's of *Bénissez-Nous*, a song of the Sephardic Jews of southern France.

The 90-voice Pro Musica chorus has performed with a wide variety of musical groups including Opera Orchestra of New York at Carnegie Hall, Princeton Chamber Symphony, Westfield Symphony, and the Greater Trenton Symphony. Ms. Slade, the founder of Pro Musica, has earned recognition for adventurous programming. She is a former member of the choral faculty at Rutgers University.

Founded in 2000, Sharim V'Sharot has performed in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Connecticut. Last summer the choir made its debut performance at the North American Jewish Choral Festival. Dr. Grossman, who served for 22 years as conductor and musical director of New York City's Rottenberg Chorale, has also conducted The National Cantor's Choir for the CAJE Conference five times. She has conducted several times at the North American Jewish Choral Festival and taught there frequently since its inception in 1988.

A panel discussion including composer Gerald Cohen, Ms. Slade, and Dr. Grossman will take place prior to the concert at 3 p.m. Mr. Cohen is an assistant professor of music at the H.L. Miller Cantorial School of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Admission to the concert and discussion will be $20. Tickets may be ordered by calling Princeton Pro Musica at (609) 683-5122 or Adath Israel Congregation at (609) 896-4977.

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Japanese Jazz Pianist To Perform at Berlind

A reason for the soaring popularity of jazz in Japan will become clear to a Berlind Theatre audience when the pianist-composer Hiromi, one of Japan's recent "exports," plays at the Theatre on Sunday, April 23 at 4 p.m.

Hiromi

Hiromi's 2003 Telarc debut, *Another Mind*, awakened the jazz community to her talent. The buzz started by that album spread to her native Japan, where it became a gold album (100,000 units) and won the Recording Industry Association of Japan's (RIAJ) Jazz Album of the Year Award. Her second release, *Broin*, followed a year later, and earned Swing Journal's New Star Award, Jazz Life's Gold Album, HMV Japan's Best Japanese Jazz Album, and the Japan Music Pen Club's Japanese Artist Award. When Swing Journal announced the results of its 2005 Readers Poll, Brain won Album of the Year. The pianist has since released another album, *Spiral*, in January of this year.

"Hiromi continues to change the musical landscape everywhere she performs," said jazz pianist Ahmad Jamal, who has taken an active interest in her career. Mr. Jamal co-produced *Another Mind* along with veteran bassist, arranger, and producer Richard Evans. "Her music, together with her overwhelming charm and spirit, causes her to soar to unimaginable musical heights," added Mr. Jamal. "She is nothing short of amazing."

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Rackett Roars Out of the Garage Into the Studio

Princeton's Anglo-Irish-American rock band Rackett is finally available on record, five songs or 17 minutes of music that will be a revelation to anyone who may only have heard this group in the sometimes acoustically challenged arena of live performance. The recording was accomplished at Scamaphone Studios right here in Princeton and the CD, *Don't Try This At Home*, is on sale at the Princeton Record Exchange for $8.

As you may know by now, Rackett features lyrics by Paul Muldoon, who has been called "dazzling, elusive," "persistently inventive," "the poet's poet of his generation," and "the most significant English language poet since the Second World War." When you think of all the acclaimed poets who have surfaced since the advent of rock and roll, it seems all the more remarkable that Muldoon is the only one (as far as I know) who has taken the plunge by investing his sense of the music with his sense of poetic form, rhyme, and rhythm. I can imagine one other poet bringing it off, if he could have been born again in East London in, say, 1950, with all his gifts intact. There's no doubt that he's one of the spiritual forces behind Rackett, whose music is published by Fled Is That Music, a phrase English majors and poetry lovers will recognize as the closing line of John Keats's "Ode to a Nightingale": "Fled is that music/Do I wake or sleep?"

Keats Goes Electric

If Bob Dylan could do it, why not John Keats?

Okay, he's just turned 22, he's got a satchel full of great lyrics, and a tenor voice that would make the angels weep. Let's bring his contemporaries along for the ride. Suppose his Cockney pal, the charming entrepreneur Leigh Hunt, is forming a band and he's already contacted a poet named Percy Bysshe Shelley who has some killer lyrics of his own and a stage presence that blends so beautifully with Keats's that when they're at the mike singing harmony face to face everyone's thinking John and Percy could be John and Paul. Sure, they have to rein Shelley in now and again, he can get histrionic, but Keats balances him out, as Paul did John. You need a female voice for some to-die-for three-part harmonies, so Mary Shelley fills in when she isn't shaking a tambourine or singing back-up on "Ode to Autumn" and lead on "La Belle Dame Sans Merci." Hunt pulls off a stroke of genius by plugging in Lord Byron on lead guitar (bare-chested, shaggy locks flying, Don Juan on his knees teasing hysterical arpeggios that have the groupies screaming for more), and signing up Thomas DeQuincey on celeste, for the dreamy interludes between the heaves of storm. Hunt's a great networker, and a decent drummer, and he's got them a gig in Edinburgh. The house is packed with critics from Blackwoods and the Edinburgh Review, along with their nasty, hissing claque, there to jeer Junkets and his band of Cockney upstarts and London layabouts. The rub is these sneerers have never heard electric music before. When the curtain rises on four fearsome black towers of Stax amps, and the lights hit the band—Shelley and Keats in sliver lamé jumpsuits, Mary barefoot in a white gown, Byron dripping wet, fresh from a swim in the Firth of Forth, DeQuincey, his hair on fire in an opium swoon—jaws drop all around, and when they kick into a heavy metal version of Shelley's "West Wind" ("I fall upon the thorns of life, I bleed!"), it leaves those dyspeptic naysayers clinging to their seats in the electric gale. But the show stopper is when Keats steps forth and does his power of love rap from *Endymion*, snapping his fingers on the downbeat or maybe just a breath behind it: "who of men can tell" if "flowers would bloom" and "the earth would have its dower of river, wood, and vale, the meadows runnels, runnels pebble-stones, the seed its harvest, or the lute its tones, tones ravishment, or ravishment its sweet, if human souls did never kiss and greet?" Dim the lights. The day is won.

Was it a vision or a waking dream?

Well, the music didn't flee, it's finally here on *Don't Try This At Home*, and while Keats may be right that if "Heard melodies are sweet/Unheard melodies are sweeter," anyone who thinks they have heard, really heard, Rackett in person will discover what they only caught a fraction of at the Berlind and Richardson concerts. To appreciate this band you've got to hear the lyrics and music and the vocals all in the right balance, in a superior recording, and while Scamaphone may not be Abbey Road, the sound quality on the new CD is excellent.

Nigel and Paul

The novelty of a Renaissance scholar and a prize-winning poet just named chair of Princeton University's new Creative and Performing Arts Center fronting a rock band is really not the issue any more. They've proven their point. The 3-Car Garage Band label is catchy but it doesn't do justice to the new record. Being from England and Ireland, respectively, Nigel Smith and Paul Muldoon grew up where the notion of a garage with a band in it was not really part of the landscape since the backyards or back gardens of the Old Country seldom had room for even a one-car garage. Rackett rocks plenty, as they proved at Richardson recently, and both Lee Matthew and Paul Grimstad can play seriously filthy guitar, but the essence of the sound on the CD is not garage-raw-and-crude. In spite of references to Metuchen, Metro Park, the Jersey Shore, and the Red Sox and the Yankees, the songs have an Anglo-Irish kick full of easy-flowing allusions to the old sod, ancient Egypt, Goths and Vandals, the catacombs of Rome, and the London Underground.

Paul and Nigel met at Oxford, neither of them new to rock, Paul having written poems (in "Sleeve Notes") riffing on everyone from the Beatles to R.E.M., Nigel having grown up in London playing prog and fusion after starting out with the London Boys Singers who recorded at Olympic Studios, like the Stones and the Yardbirds. It was not until Nigel came to Princeton for good, however, that the two discovered their mutual love of rock and blues. Paul proposed starting a band when Nigel returned from teaching summer school in Santa Fe while filling in on bass with a local Hispanic/Native American group and showed him a picture of the band on stage. Paul sent Nigel a lyric ("Meat and Drink") and asked him to set it to music and they were off. Nigel says the band is "a completion of something in ourselves," speaking of "how rare it is to find a great lyricist (it feels like I've spent 30 years looking for one)."

The Songs

The words and music of the first three songs in *Don't Try This At Home* are the strongest, for me, because the music is so good and played so well that it could carry even a lesser lyric. Of the five songs, "Pencil" goes through the most elaborate set of changes, living and breathing on Nigel's bass-line, with keyboardist Steven Allen chiming in at intervals as Paul Grimstad, who wrote the music, sings lines loopy and unlikely enough to turn heads even among listeners with an ear for the wild-west free-for-all of rock lyrics that began with Chuck Berry and Little Richard by way of Slim Gaillard, Louis Jordan, Fats Waller, and the poets of rhythm and blues. Of course without the right music you might not get away with rhyming "long travail" with "dunghill of a whale." For all the wit at play in "Pencil," what makes the song is the charm of the chorus, where the charcoal stick of the "neoliths" becomes a pencil in the hair of the girl who "just wrote me off." It all comes down to the old tried and true "my girl ditched me" trope being played out on the dunghill of history.

My current favorite Rackett song, however, is the one bonafide ballad (another in the "my girl ditched me" genre), "Enough of Me," which is sung by Lee Matthew as if he'd lived it and written it himself; it has that special singer/songwriter intimacy. But then, again, there's an adventure in the lyric. As with almost any of Muldoon's runs, it manages to move all over the map without ever losing touch with or being compromised by the lamentful mood of Smith's music. How many lovelorn ballads could manage to thrive on combinations like "the team and teamsters" and "the seam and the seamstress," or "the monk and his maker" and "the beach" and "the breaker?" And how many could take you from the Jersey Shore to Antony and Cleopatra without so much as a bump in the road?

"Old Flames," with music by Nigel, is like the old flame of rock itself, swinging London seen through a glass brightly, looking back to Herne Bay and Hampton Court, and then down into the London Underground and the ever problematic Northern Line "with all its ghost stations/and their ghostly station names" from Angel to Chalk Farm, names that make you think of songs from the period like the Stones' "Play With Fire" with its references to St. John's Wood, Stepney, and Knightsbridge. Still, even as it evokes the best of the British invasion, it has an American country western flavor, thanks in part to the way Lee Matthew sings it.

The other two songs, "Dont Try This At Home" and "Sideman" contain more Muldoonish adventures—who else is going to tell you "Just don't reach into the lion's mouth/and run the risk of going south" and in the same chorus rhyme "Pantheon-dome" with "honeycomb"? "Sideman" may be the most immediately accessible song and lyric—it's the first Rackett song I heard—and if it doesn't hold up quite as well as the others, that's probably only because some of the lyric novelty wears thin after more than a few hearings.

Besides Muldoon and Smith, who look like siblings, as do Grimstad and Matthew, for that matter, *Don't Try This At Home* features Stephen Allen on keyboards and vocals and Jim Linnehan on drums. Check it out at the Princeton Record Exchange, which appears in a Rackett lyric, though not on this album.

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Edward Albee to Be First Recipient Of Princeton-McCarter Fellowship

The award-winning playwright Edward Albee has been named the first recipient of the Princeton University-McCarter Theatre Playwriting Fellowship.

The new theatrical initiative, funded by the Ford Foundation, will bring Mr. Albee to the University for several months beginning in fall 2007. While in residence, he will create a major new work that will be produced by McCarter. He also will teach in Princeton's Program in Theater and Dance.

"This fellowship program is a natural extension of the growing reciprocity between McCarter and Princeton and a model of how a professional theater and a university can work to mutual advantage," said Michael Cadden, director of the Program in Theater and Dance. "At a time when Princeton is committing to becoming a national leader in arts education, we're lucky to have Ford's encouragement to bring together the extraordinary resources of both organizations. Our students look forward to their dialogue with one of the most provocative minds in world theater."

Considered by many critics to be "America's most important dramatist still writing," Mr. Albee first gained national attention in 1959 with his production of *The Zoo Story*. He has won the Pulitzer Prize in drama for *A Delicate Balance*, *Seascape* (currently playing on Broadway), and *Three Tall Women*. He also earned a Tony Award for *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, *A Delicate Balance*, and *The Goat or Who Is Sylvia?* He has been honored for his body of achievement with a gold medal from the Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters, a Kennedy Center Honor, and a National Medal of Arts.

Mr. Albee is no stranger to Princeton. He spent a short time on campus during the 1991-92 academic year as a Belknap Visitor through the University's Council of the Humanities. In 2002, he collaborated with McCarter Theatre Artistic Director Emily Mann on the production of his play *All Over*, and gave an address as part of the University's Public Lecture Series.

"Edward Albee acutely understands the function of art in a free society," said Ms. Mann. "As America's premier living playwright, he is also an incisive critic of American culture, and has dedicated much of his life to teaching the craft and art of writing for the stage. I can think of no one better to launch our partnership with Princeton University than Mr. Albee."

Princeton President Shirley M. Tilghman, who in January announced an initiative to increase support for the creative and performing arts at the University, added, "I am deeply indebted to Emily Mann and Michael Cadden, and to the Ford Foundation, for this wonderful collaboration that brings a playwright of Edward Albee's distinction to Princeton. This fellowship provides our students with an extraordinary opportunity to work with and learn from one of the finest playwrights writing for the theater today."

ASPIRING PLAYWRIGHTS: Princeton Day School finalists in McCarter Theatre's annual Youth Ink competition for high school playwrights posed recently with their classmates earning Honorable Mention awards. The program is also open to aspiring writers from Princeton High School, Colts Neck High School, and West Windsor-Plainsboro South High School. The PDS competitors were, bottom row from left, Anuva Kalawar, Jess Rich, Chris Lim, Becca Fein, Lexi Shechtel, Arielle Shipper, Shira Concool, and Cait McPhaden; and back row, David Blitzer, Jeff Moll, Jacob Waters, and Matt Weinstock. Standing, from left, are Steve Borowka and Ami Formica of McCarter Theatre and PDS teacher Kate Winton. The five winning one-act plays, which will include those submitted by Mr. Blitzer and Mr. Weinstock, will be performed at McCarter between June 5 and June 9, with the student playwright working alongside professional actors and directors.

Communiversity Program To Mark World Dance Day

Princeton Dance and Theater Studio has announced that it will celebrate World Dance Day with performances by its dance faculty at Princeton's Communiversity on April 29. To be presented in collaboration with the West Windsor Arts Council, the dance presentation will take place from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. at one of Communiversity's main stages. Admission will be free.

World Dance Day will be celebrated all over the world on April 29 by dance enthusiasts. The purpose of the event is to attract public attention to the art of dance.

The presentation by the PDT Studio will feature works by three faculty members—Lisa Bottalico performing Flamenco, Marie Alonzo, modern dance, and Henri Velandia, Salsa. What ties the works together is the Spanish cultural thread woven into each of them: Flamenco, a Southern Spanish art; Modern Dance, exploring the Hispanic heritage of Asia's only former Spanish colony; and Salsa, a widespread social dance in South and Central American countries.

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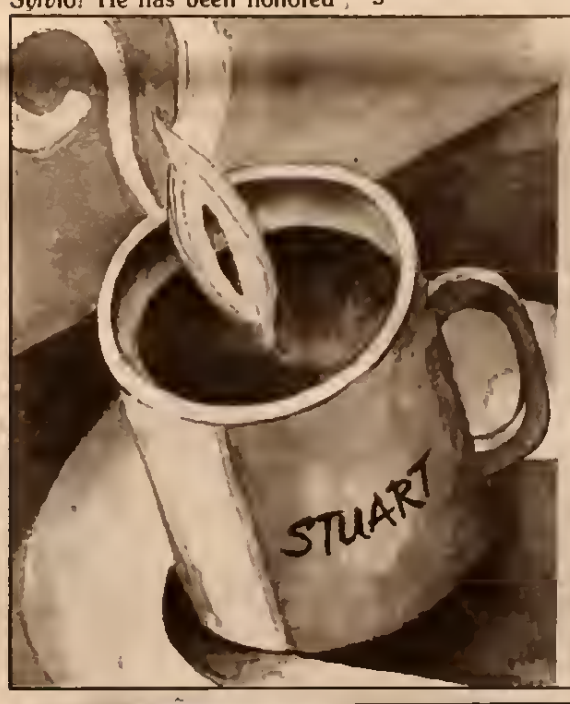

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State Theatre to Present "Casa de Bernarda Alba"

New Brunswick's State Theatre will present Repertorio Español in Federico García Lorca's *La Caso de Bernardo Alba* on Sunday, April 30 at 7 p.m., marking the theater's first Spanish language production. It will be presented in Spanish with simultaneous English translation via free headsets.

Federico García Lorca's final play, *La Cosa de Bernorda Alba* was written in 1936 just before the playwright's death, and published in 1945. It takes place in a small village in southern Spain in 1936, following the funeral of Bernarda Alba's second husband. After the mourners depart, Bernarda Alba announces to her five daughters that their period of mourning will last eight years. During this period, she declares, their lives will consist of needlework inside the darkened house, which, according to Bernarda, is the only proper pastime for women of their class. Obsessed with family honor, she rules her household with an iron fist. As the daughters chafe against the restrictions imposed by their domineering mother, all five harbor a love for the village's most handsome man. The eldest daughter is engaged to marry him, but it is the youngest one who ends up as his lover, a secret that results in tragic consequences. As the story of love, jealousy, despair, and passion unravels, so does the family honor.

A gifted musician, Garcia Lorca studied law at Granada to please his father, but soon turned to the arts. After publishing a promising book of prose he entered the residence of scholars at Madrid. His *Canciones* (1927), *Romoncero Gitono* (1928 and 1935), and tragic poems place him among the greatest of 20th century poets. His successful prose plays include the trilogy *Bodas de Songre, Blood Wedding*, and *Yermo*.

Repertorio Español was founded in 1968 by producer Gilberto Zaldivar and Artistic Director René Buch to introduce the best of Latin American, Spanish, and Hispanic-American theater to a broad audience in New York City and across the country. In 1972, the company moved to New York's Gramercy Arts Theatre where it has since remained. The critical success of the company's first production, *Who's Afroid of Virginia Woolf?*, and the ongoing support of government agencies have enabled the company to prosper.

Tickets range from $15 to $20, with group, college student, and senior discounts available. To order, call the State Theatre box office at (732) 246-7469, or visit www.StateTheatreNJ.org.

COPACABANANS: Members of the Neshaminy Valley Music Theatre cast are seen at a recent rehearsal for their upcoming production of Barry Manilow's "Copacabana" at the Bucks County Playhouse, Friday, April 21 through Sunday, April 23. The show's score features many songs by Mr. Manilow and Jack Feldman reflecting the tone of the 1940s. The Bucks County Playhouse has been donated to the Music Theatre for the weekend run. Performances will be Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are $15 for adults, $10 for children under 18, and may be ordered by calling (215) 364-4999. The Bucks County Playhouse is located at 70 South Main Street, New Hope, Pa. *(Photo by Aimee Miller)*

Trenton Arena to Host "Ben Franklin" Musical

An educational musical honoring Benjamin Franklin during the 300th anniversary year of his birth will visit the Sovereign Bank Arena in Trenton on Friday, April 21 at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Titled *Ben Franklin: An American Tale*, the show, produced by American Family Theatre, focuses on many of the things that make Franklin one of the most identifiable figures in American history—the Declaration of Independence, organization of a fire department, and, of course, his famous electricity experiment with a kite.

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STAR-CROSSED LOVERS: Princeton University students Sam Zetumer and Irene Lucio will perform the lead roles in a new University production of William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" at the Berlind Theatre this weekend and next. Performances will be this Friday and Saturday, April 14 and 15, then Thursday through Saturday, April 20 to April 22, all at 8 p.m. For tickets, call (609) 258-2787 or (609) 258-1742. *(Photo by Jed Peterson)*

Dance Society Planning 8-Week Hip-Hop Course

The Princeton-based Central Jersey Dance Society has announced that it will host an eight-week introductory course in hip-hop dancing at the Suzanne Paterson Center. The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. starting April 25 and continuing through June 20. No class will be held June 6 due to the municipal election that day.

The course is appropriate for 13 to 21 year olds at the beginner level. No partner is necessary.

Registration will be $100 per student for eight lessons. The lessons will not be sold separately.

Combining elements of jazz, Funk, Salsa, Modern, lap, folk, and modern club dancing, hip-hop is a contemporary American folk dance often associated with the inner cities where it originally took form. Today, contemporary dancers have adapted the style and energy of hip-hop and applied them to create dancing seen in music videos and dance studios.

The course will provide an introductory survey of common hip-hop forms. Physical condition, technicality, and style of choreography will be emphasized.

The instructor will be Brendan Kaplan, a Princeton native who has performed throughout the country in various musicals and dinner theatres. His credits include lead roles in *Cats*, *Jesus Christ Superstar*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, and *Oklahoma*, among others. Mr. Kaplan has recently taught hip-hop at several studios in New York City.

Advance registration is recommended, as the class size will be limited. For more information, call the Central Jersey Dance Society at (609) 945-1883 or visit www.centraljerseydance.org.

GOSPEL SINGERS: "Godspell," the rock musical that retells the gospel according to Matthew with a comic twist, will begin a two-weekend run at Mercer County Community College's Kelsey Theatre on April 21. The ensemble cast of MCCC drama students will include, from left in front row, Michelle Wood of Princeton and Rico Cineus of Ewing; second row, Christina Melton of Bordentown and Alysia Toscano of Mercerville; third row, Kristina Mancini of Ewing, Antonio Arzayus of Hamilton, and Stephanie Bartolone of Hamilton; fourth row, David Hamm of Bordentown, Aaron Zeichner of Ewing, and Kyrus Westcott of Hamilton; and back row, Erik Rojas of Hamilton. Performances will be Fridays and Saturdays April 21, 22, 28, and 29 at 8 p.m., and Sunday, April 23 at 2 p.m. For tickets, which are $12 for adults and $10 for seniors and students, call (609) 584-9444.

Off-Broadstreet Theatre Plans Auditions April 18

The Off-Broadstreet Theatre in Hopewell has announced that it will hold open call auditions on Tuesday, April 18 for actors and singers to perform in a variety of upcoming productions.

OBT producers Bob and Julie Thick are seeking adult performers for main stage productions including Out of Order, a comedy by Ray Cooney; Nunsensotions, the newest musical in Dan Goggin's Nunsense series; and Fronkenstein, adapted by Tim Kelly. Adult performers age 18 to 40 are also needed for OBT's children's theatre troupe.

All performers are paid.

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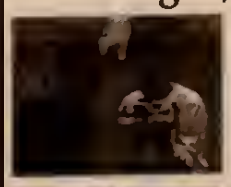

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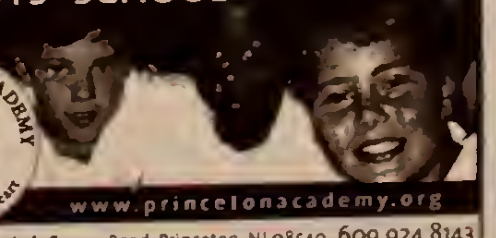

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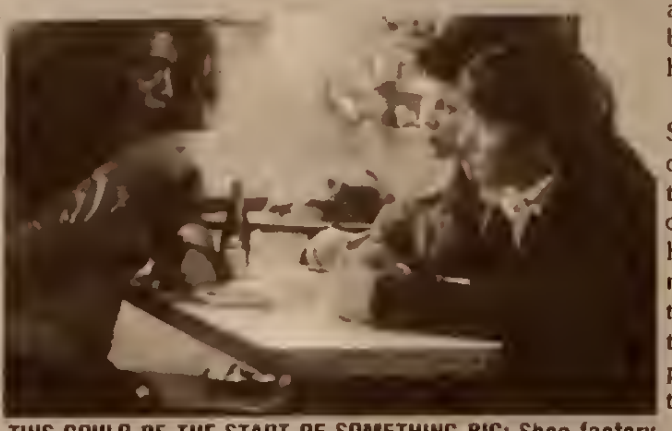
CINEMA REVIEW

Kinky Boots

Drag Queen, Shoe Heir Make Unlikely Team in British Comedy

Whether it's the topless ladies of *Calendar Girls*, the bottomless boys of *The Full Monty*, or the nude showgirls of *Mrs. Henderson Presents*, the British seem to have a knack for taking a story with a naughty theme and turning it into an enjoyable feature film. *Kinky Boots* is a heartwarming tale about the unlikely friendship forged between a black drag queen and the heir to a shoe factory.



THIS COULD BE THE START OF SOMETHING BIG: Shoe factory heir Charlie (Joel Edgerton, right) discusses an idea which may save the factory from bankruptcy, with male transvestite Lola (Chiwetel Ejiofor, left) and shoe designer Lauren (Sarah-Jane Potts, center)

Joel Edgerton stars as Charlie Price, who is reluctant to take over the family's business in the wake of his father's unexpected passing, because he has just moved to London and he'd prefer not to return to Northampton. Initially, he considers his fiancée's (Jemima Looper) suggestion that they sell the factory even though it has been in the family for generations.

However, when he examines the company's books, he learns that the company is on the verge of failing. Charlie refuses to abandon the company's loyal, long-time employees. Finding an overabundance of stodgy wing-tip shoes gathering dust in a stockroom, he diagnoses the shoe factory's problem as a failure to change with the times.

In order to develop a trendier line of footwear, he has to hire a designer and decide what segment of the market he wants to target. The answer to both questions arrives the night he comes to the assistance of Lola, a male transvestite, who is being harassed by a gang of homophobic hoodlums.

Lola is the headliner at a Soho cabaret which is frequented by male transvestites. It turns out that they cannot find glamorous high heels that can support a man's weight. Fortuitously, this unmet demand suggests the solution to Charlie's problems at the shoe factory.

Though subplots abound in this well-crafted comedy, the real reason this movie is highly recommended is because of the radiant performance of Chiwetel Ejiofor as Lola. He exhibits an impressive emotional range, and is able to wear women's clothes with perfect aplomb. In addition he capably handles all of his own singing.

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Basic Instinct 2 (R for sex, expletives, nudity, violence, and drug use). Sharon Stone returns sans original co-star Michael Douglas for steamy sequel set in London. This go-round, the novelist (Stone) lands on the wrong side of the law and sets about seducing the psychiatrist (David Morrissey) assigned to interrogate her by Scotland Yard. With Charlotte Rampling and David Thewlis.

The Benchwarmers (PG-13 for profanity and for crude and suggestive humor). Rob Schneider, David Spade, and John Heder star as buddies out to makeup for their un-athletic backgrounds as children by forming a three-man baseball team and taking on the best Little Leaguers in the state.

Don't Come Knocking (R for profanity and brief nudity). Sam Shepard writes and stars in this sequel to *Paris, Texas* as an aging, alcoholic movie star who walks off the set of his latest Western to search for the child he's never known only to find himself instead. Cast includes Jessica Lange, Tim Roth, Sarah Polley, George Kennedy and Eva Marie Saint.

Failure to Launch (PG-13 for sex, expletives, and partial nudity). Matthew McConaughey stars in this romantic comedy as a live-at-home bachelor who has no idea that his impatient parents (Kathy Bates and Terry Bradshaw) have hired the girl of his dreams (Sarah Jessica Parker) to coax him out of the nest.

Ice Age: The Meltdown (PG for coarse language and sexual innuendo). Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, and Denny Dillon again lend their voices to a variety of prehistoric creatures in this family-oriented, animated sequel set just before the Earth starts to thaw. Replacing Kristen Johnson, Cedric the Entertainer, and Jack Black are Queen Latifah, Jay Leno, and Seann William Scott.

Inside Man (R for profanity and violence). Two-time Oscar-winners Denzel Washington and Jodie Foster co-star in this cat-and-mouse crime caper about a bungled bank robbery which turns into a hostage situation. Top flight cast includes Oscar-nominees Willem Dafoe and Clive Owen, plus Christopher Plummer and Chiwetel Ejiofor.

Joyeux Noel (Unrated). World War I drama, based on an actual incident, recounts a 1914 Christmas Eve ceasefire on a battlefield in no man's land which enabled Germans, French and British soldiers to play soccer and share a few drinks together for a few hours before resuming hostilities. In French, German, English, and Latin with subtitles.

Kinky Boots (PG-13 for profanity and mature themes). British comedy about a shoe factory heir (Joel Edgerton) who figures out how to revitalize the sinking family business when he befriends a black transvestite (Chiwetel Ejiofor) who comes up with the bright idea of catering to drag queens.

Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector (Unrated). A comedy about a rough-edged Board of Health inspector (Dan Whitney) who is teamed with a straitlaced, new partner (Iris Bahr) to find the source of a series of mysterious food poisonings at upscale restaurants around Orlando. Romantic subplot involves Larry's attempt to win the heart of a sweet waitress (Megyn Price) with a heart of gold.

Lucky Number Slevin (R for sex, expletives and graphic violence). Josh Hartnett handles the title role in this gritty, New York City crime thriller as an unlucky lad who lands in the middle of a mob war being waged between gangs being led by a ruthless rabbi (Ben Kingsley) and a brutal brother (Morgan Freeman). Cast includes Bruce Willis as a renegade assassin, Stanley Tucci as the detective keeping score and Lucy Liu as the girl next door.

Morilyn Hotchkiss' Ballroom Dancing and Charm School (PG for profanity and mature themes). Sentimental romantic comedy about a widower (Robert Carlyle) who sets about finding the long-lost love (Mary Steenburgen) of a dying car accident victim (John Goodman) in accordance with the stranger's last request.

Mrs. Henderson Presents (R for nudity and brief profanity). Oscar-nominee Stephen Frears (*The Grifters*) directs this campy comedy, set in London during the Battle of Britain, about an eccentric widow (Dame Judi Dench) who purchases a run-down theater to put on all-nude burlesque shows. With Bob Hoskins as her exasperated business partner.

Phat Girlz (PG-13 for sex, expletives and crude references). Comedy featuring Mo'Nique as a sassy fashion designer frustrated in her efforts to find a man in a world filled with thinner competition.

Preoching to the Choir (PG-13 for sex, expletives, and drug use). Billoah Greene and Darien Sills-Evans co-star in this spiritually-oriented tale of redemption about a couple of orphaned twins who take radically different paths in life. One becomes a Harlem minister, the other a gangster rapper.

Scary Movie 4 (PG-13 for sex and expletives, crude humor, and violence). Anna Faris, Regina Hall, Anthony Anderson, Leslie Nielsen, Charlie Sheen, Simon Rex and Carmen Electra return for another round of the horror genre, including spoofs of *War of the Worlds*, *The Village*, *Saw*, and more.

She's the Man (PG-13 for sexual material). Romantic comedy, based on Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, stars Amanda Bynes as a teenager who assumes her missing twin brother's (James Kirk) identity at his prep school only to have unanticipated complications ensue on campus when she falls in love with his handsome roommate (Channing Tatum) while also having to fend off the advances of a coed (Laura Ramsey) who thinks she's a guy.

Slither (R for gore, graphic violence, and profanity). Horror comedy about an ancient, alien plague which invades a sleepy, rural town, slowly turning its residents into a race of mutant zombies. With Nathan Fillion, Elizabeth Banks, and Michael Rooker.

Stoy Alive (PG-13 for sex, expletives, drug use, frightening images and horror). Horror film revolves around the mysterious, high attrition among a group of participants in a gruesome online computer game who begin to perish, one-by-one, in precisely the same way as the characters they're playing.

Toke the Lead (PG-13 for profanity, violence, and mature themes). Antonio Banderas stars in this uplifting drama based on the real-life story of a former, professional dancer who volunteered his time to teach ballroom steps to students more interested in hip-hop.

Thonk You for Smoking (R for sex and expletives). Satirical comedy chronicles the efforts of a tobacco lobbyist (Aaron Eckhart) who tries to remain a role model to his 12 year-old son (Cameron Bright) knowing full well that the cigarettes he's promoting are lethal.

The Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada (R for sex, expletives, and violence). Tommy Lee Jones stars in this road drama as a grizzled, Texas ranch hand who goes to extraordinary lengths to give his murdered best friend a proper funeral back in Mexico.

Transamerica (R for sexuality, nudity, profanity and drug use). Unlikely-buddy road film reunites a pre-op transsexual (Felicity Huffman) with the long-lost, 17 year-old son (Kevin Zegers) she/he's never known for a cross-country, get-acquainted sojourn from New York to Los Angeles where the juvenile delinquent hopes to make a fresh start in gay porn.

Tsotsi (R for profanity and gruesome violence). Adapted from the Athol Fugard novel of the same name, this tale of redemption focuses on the spiritual transformation of a young gang leader (Presley Chweneyagae) during the half-dozen days he cares for an infant he accidentally kidnapped during a carjacking.

V for Vendetta (R for profanity and graphic violence). Futuristic thriller adapted by the Wachowski Brothers (*The Matrix Trilogy*) from the DC Comics illustrated novel of the same name. Set in a Great Britain defeated in World War III, this sci-fi adventure revolves around the efforts of a masked vigilante (Hugo Weaving) to fight a new form of Fascism via guerilla warfare by teaming up with a young woman (Natalie Portman) whom he rescues from the clutches of the totalitarian government.

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—Kam Williams

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Sports

PU Men's Heavyweight Crew On a Mission; Top-Ranked Tigers Aiming to Beat Harvard

Lake Carnegie was hardly a welcoming locale last Saturday, pelted by a downpour which produced stiff winds and made its waters choppy.

But it's going to take a lot more that some nasty weather to slow a Princeton men's heavyweight crew that is on a mission this spring.

Ranked No. 1 in the nation, the Tigers' top boat lived up to its billing, earning the Childs Cup, one of collegiate crew's most historic trophies.

Princeton clocked a time of 6:21.5 in winning the Cup for the 13th straight year, cruising past Penn (6:42.5) and Columbia (6:44.8).

Longtime Princeton head coach Curtis Jordan wasn't surprised by how his veteran crew overcame the conditions and the competition.

"It was uncomfortable," said Jordan, who has been associated with the Tiger rowing program for 22 years and is in his 12th year as the coach of the heavyweight varsity.

"Like any athletic event held outdoors, you can get distracted by the elements and the situation. They raced to their potential; I'm pleased with their effort."

Jordan's crew will need to race to its potential this Saturday as it heads to Boston to face defending national champion Harvard as the crews vie along with MIT for the Compton Cup.

Last spring, the Tigers tasted bitter disappointment as they finished second to the Crimson by paper-thin margins in both the Eastern Sprints and IRA national championship regattas.

With that recent history in mind, Jordan doesn't need to deliver any fiery pep talks to get his charges stoked for the challenge presented by the Crimson.

"We don't talk a lot about it; I'm not raising the flag," said Jordan. "The guys remember what happened last year. I think it is a big hurdle. I remember 10 years ago when we had a similar situation with Penn and we needed to beat them."

Jordan believes his special group of seniors is ready to overcome that hurdle. "I think with each group of seniors you can see an impact," explained Jordan.

"In my career, there have only been five or six classes that have had the impact of this class. The Class of 96 was a big class; it brought us up to the level where we are today. This class is set apart by the quality of its athletes and the fact that we have so many."

ON A MISSION: The Princeton University top men's heavyweight boat cruise on the waters ot Lake Carnegie in a practice last spring. The Tigers, currently ranked No. 1 in the country, won the Childs Cup last weekend, cruising past Penn and Columbia to win the Cup for the 13th straight year. The Tigers, who finished second last spring to Harvard by paper-thin margins in both the Eastern Sprints and IRA national championship regattas, will look to turn the tables this weekend when they face the Crimson in Boston. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

CALLING THE SHOTS: Princeton University men's heavyweight crew coach Curtis Jordan yells out instructions in a training session last spring. This Saturday, Jordan's rowers head to Boston to face defending national champion Harvard as the crews vie along with MIT tor the Compton Cup. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

In Jordan's view, he must share any credit for the senior group's success with Greg Hughes, the program's former freshman heavyweight coach and current men's lightweight head coach.

The Class of 2006 made a big splash in the spring of 2003 as the top freshman boat produced a magical spring.

That boat went undefeated, capturing the Eastern Sprints title, the IRA national crown, and taking first place in the Temple Challenge Cup at the Henley Royal Regatta in England.

"I think a big factor in a group's success is its freshman coach," said Jordan. "You have a group of seven, eight or nine rowers come in but they aren't a team. Greg recognized their potential and really helped them to put things together. I'm reaping the benefits of that."

Jordan is also reaping the benefits of the leadership he has been getting from the boat's coxswain, senior James Egan.

"James is our captain and it's a good balance," said Jordan. "He's not one of the muscular studs but he shepherds the personalities. There are a lot of strong egos and headstrong guys and Egan is the leader."

The Tigers have been building towards something special this spring, following up last season by winning the Head of Charles men's 8 championship race this past fall.

"Our performances last fall and last spring are good harbingers," said Jordan, whose senior studs include U.S. national team member Steve Coppola, Australian star Sam Loch, and Princeton native Alex Hearne.

"Last spring would have been a good season in anybody's book but Harvard had a superlative crew and they stuck their bow out in front."

The Princeton seniors now seem poised to put their bow ahead of all comers. "They handle this like professionals; they don't need extra motivation to do their best," added Jordan

"I do think that the hard work and the dedication of a senior class can stay on the walls of the boathouse and linger in the air long after they leave."

If the Princeton heavyweight rowers can reach their potential, they may add some special hardware to the trophy collection at the boathouse.

—Bill Alden

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Opara Makes the Most Out of Opportunity, Helps PU Women's Lax to 8-7 Win Over Yale

Hampered by an injured right knee during much of her time on the Princeton University women's lacrosse team, senior attacker Olachi Opara has battled to make the most out the limited action she has seen.

Coming into last Saturday's game with visiting Yale, Opara had scored 21 goals in her 30 appearances for the Tigers.

With Princeton locked in a 7-7 tie with the feisty Bulldogs midway through the second half, Opara seized the moment like never before in her star-crossed career as she fired in a goal that proved to be the difference in an 8-7 win for the Tigers.

Despite being soaked to the bone from playing in the chilly downpour that persisted throughout the contest, Opara was all smiles as she recounted her score which lifted eighth-ranked Princeton to 6-4 overall and 3-0 in Ivy League play.

"After the ball came out of the goalie's stick, I came around the crease," recalled Opara, who hails from Lutherville, Md. "I saw there was a girl coming down on me but I had enough room to squeeze in and get the goal. It was definitely a good feeling."

That moment of brilliance was particularly satisfying considering the struggles Opara has gone through to get on the field. "It's been hard but once you get going, it's easier," said Opara, who wears a large brace on her knee to give her additional protection.

"It's something I've had to deal with all four years; I rehab everyday. It's feeling pretty good; I think I'll be good the rest of the season."

Opara has had a special supporter in her corner in her older brother, Chisom Opara, a former All-Ivy League receiver for the Princeton football team.

"He talks to me and gives me a call before games," said Opara, who now has two goals on the season. "He gives me motivational speeches. It was nice to have him here because he knows what it's like to be an athlete here."

Princeton head coach Chris Sailer liked the motivation shown by Opara last Saturday as she gave the team a lift from the moment she was inserted into the game.

"Olachi did great," said Sailer. "She came in and got five groundballs and caused some turnovers. I think this game was our best of the year in terms of redefending. We created turnovers and ours were down. We had 13 and they had 25; that's a reverse of what it often is for us. It makes a huge difference."

With Princeton having won four in a row with the last three having been nailbiters, Sailer likes the resolve her team has been showing in the tight ones.

"It's good for us to get this experience of winning close games although you wouldn't like them to always be that close," said Sailer, who got three goals from Katie Lewis-Lamonica and two from Katie Cox in the victory over Yale. "I'd like us to really take over a game one of these days. It is what it is and it's good that we're getting the wins."

Princeton will look to keep on the winning track as it plays at Harvard on April 15 before hosting Penn on April 19.

"I feel like we have our destiny in our hands the rest of the way," said Sailer, whose team is atop the Ivies with Cornell and Penn tied in second with 3-1 league marks.

"I still don't think we're playing as strong and as hard as we were earlier in the season. We have to play to win and not play to not lose. We have to go out and attack these games in the league."

Opara, for her part, believes Princeton is developing that kind of killer instinct. "I think it's just the desire to want to win," maintained Opara, who said the team gained some extra inspiration by getting together to watch Maryland's win in the NCAA women's basketball title game.

"We talk a lot about pumping up our teammates when it's a close game like this. You make eye contact with the person next to you and you say we've got this, we can do it. When it's close and it's two great teams, that mentality, desire, and heart really helps in the end."

With the heart Opara has shown in battling through injury, she could produce a happy ending to her Princeton career.

—Bill Alden

POWER MOVE: Princeton University senior attacker Olachi Opara, left, barrels through the rain and the Yale defense last Saturday. Opara fired home the game-winning goal in Princeton's 8-7 triumph over the Bulldogs.

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Displaying Sharp Focus in Winning ECAC Crown, PU Women's Water Polo Primed for Homestretch

For the Princeton University women's water polo team, their appearance at the ECAC Championships earlier this month almost seemed like a break.

"With the mid-term exams and our trip to California, it was a rough week and a half," said Princeton head coach Luis Nicolao, reflecting on the team's hectic schedule in mid-March which saw it go from exams into a week-long jaunt to California during which the Tigers went 3-4 against some of the elite programs in the country. "We played some really tough teams out west and that helped us. We came in the ECACs with good focus."

Princeton's focus never wavered at the ECAC competition which was held at College Park, Md. The Tigers cruised past Villanova 10-6 in the opening round, sparked by four goals from junior Karina Reyner. In the the semis, junior standout Elyse Colgan led the way, tallying three goals as Princeton topped Wagner 10-8.

In the title game, the 19th-ranked Tigers clicked offensively and defensively as they eased past Bucknell 9-6. Colgan, Reyner, Claire Jacobson, and Carolina Ardila each scored two goals to pace the Princeton attack. Sophomore goalie Natalie Kim recorded 12 saves to spearhead the defensive effort.

"I was very pleased with the way we played in the tournament," said Nicolao, whose team kept rolling last weekend as it beat Maryland 10-3 and George Washington 12-7 to improve to 16-5 on the season.

Junior star Colgan, the ECAC tourney MVP, has been a pivotal performer for the Tigers. "Elyse is a great player," asserted Nicolao of the Annapolis, Md. native who has a team-high 37 goals and has been selected to play with the U.S. national team this summer.

"She makes everyone around her better. The other teams are double-teaming her and she is setting up her teammates and still scoring two or three goals a game."

The Tigers, though, are hardly a one-person offense with Ardila contributing 19 goals and Reyner adding 25. "Carolina and Reyner were role players last years; they have stepped up and have become good scorers," added Nicolao, who has also gotten good production from senior Megan Donahue and junior Samantha Shaughnessy.

"We have more balance and depth. We can get into foul trouble and I have people to turn to; it's a luxury. Sometimes it creates a problem because it's tough to get minutes for everybody."

Nicolao also has a luxury in standout goalie Kim, who has been giving up just over six goals a contest. "Natalie is playing really well this year," said Nicolao of the Palos Verde, Calif. native. "At times, we have relied on her too much."

As a result, Nicolao has focused recently on tightening up his team's defensive unit. "We have gotten a little lazy on defense depending on Natalie to make the saves," said Nicolao, who is in his eighth year heading the Princeton water polo program. "We need to play better defense and make things easier for her."

As the Tigers look forward to hosting the Southern Championships on April 22-23 before competing in the Eastern Championship tourney a week later in Providence, R.I., Nicolao knows nothing is going to come easy.

"We're in the homestretch right now, every game is a big game," said Nicolao. "Playerwise and in practices, we are doing well. I think our biggest hurdle is staying healthy, players will be finishing theses and junior papers and they can get run down. It's the stuff we can't control, that could hurt us."

—Bill Alden

Tiger Baseball Ends Ivy Skid

Sal Iacono had a big day to lead the Princeton University baseball team to a 5-3 win over Yale last Monday in the second game of a doubleheader between the teams.

Iacono had three hits and four RBIs while Christian Staehely pitched seven strong innings to earn the win. Princeton had dropped the opener 4-3.

In upcoming games, Princeton, now 5-19-1 overall and 1-7 in Ivy action, plays doubleheaders at Columbia on April 15 and 16 before playing a single game at Seton Hall on April 18.

Princeton Football Adds Two Coaches

Princeton University football head coach Roger Hughes said last week that the program has added two new assistant coaches to the staff.

Hughes said Gregg Perry will coach the offensive line and Isaac Carter will help guide the defensive backs.

Perry replaces Stan Clayton, an original member of Hughes' staff, who recently accepted the position as offensive line coach at the University of Toledo. Prior to joining the Tiger staff, Perry served as the Delaware offensive line coach for 21 years from 1981 until 2001. He left the staff following the retirement of legendary head coach Tubby Raymond, who won 300 games over 36 seasons and was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame. Perry has worked as a financial advisor for Morgan Stanley prior to his arrival to Princeton.

Carter, for his part, replaces Nate Nelson, who took a job with the Stanford coaching staff last month. Carter will assist coach Eric Jackson in the defensive backfield.

Carter spent the last four years as the defensive back coach and pass defense coordinator for New Mexico Highlands University, a Division II school that is part of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC).

Tiger Men's Golf 2nd at Invitational

Led by strong play from Andrew Maliniak, the Princeton University men's golf team placed second last weekend in its annual Princeton Invitational.

Maliniak placed third in the individual standings, shooting a 2-over in the event which was shortened to 36 holes due to the inclement weather on Saturday. Jason Gerken and Jesse Dixon were Princeton's next top finishers, placing in a tie for fourth at 4-over.

In the team standings, the Tigers finished at 28-over, two strokes behind first-place Columbia. Princeton will next be in action when it competes in the Ivy League championships on April 22-23 in Vernon, N.J.

Distance Star Ferrell Sets New Mark in 5,000

Princeton University senior running star Cack Ferrell set a school record in the 5,000-meters last Friday at the Sam Howell Invitational on the Tigers' home track at Weaver Track and Field Stadium.

Ferrell, an All-American, clocked a time of 16:05.52 in setting the new standard. Other Tiger women who starred at the two-day event included Catha Mullen, the second-pace finisher in the 5,000, and Caroline Mullen, who took second in the 1,500.

As for the men, Ray Lenihan won the 110-meter hurdles while Andrew Park won the pole vault.

PU Women's Golf 3rd at Madison Event

Sharla Cloutier led the way as the Princeton University women's golf team finished third last weekend in the Bonnie Hoover Invitational at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va.

Cloutier shot a 4-over to place third in the individual standing. Other Tigers who performed well included Marlowe Boukis who tied for sixth at 8-over, and Susannah Aboff, tied for 10th at 10-over.

In the team competition, Princeton shot 38-over, trailing winner Penn State and Georgetown. The Tigers will next be in action when they compete in the Ivy League championships from April 21-23 in McAfee, N.J.

PERFECT STORM: Princeton University senior pitcher Erin Snyder hurls a pitch in action earlier this spring. Last Sunday, Snyder fired a perfect game in Princeton's 16-0 win over visiting Yale. It was the fifth no-hitter of Snyder's college career and her fourth perfect game. The Tigers topped Yale 8-1 to sweep the doubleheader. On Monday, Snyder struck out 19 in leading the Tigers to a 3-0 win over Brown. Princeton topped the Bears 4-0 in the nightcap. The wins lifted Princeton to an overall record of 20-9 and 6-0 in Ivy League play. In upcoming action, the Ivy-leading Tigers have a doubleheader at Towson on April 12 before hosting Columbia for a twinbill on April 15 and Cornell for a doubleheader a day later. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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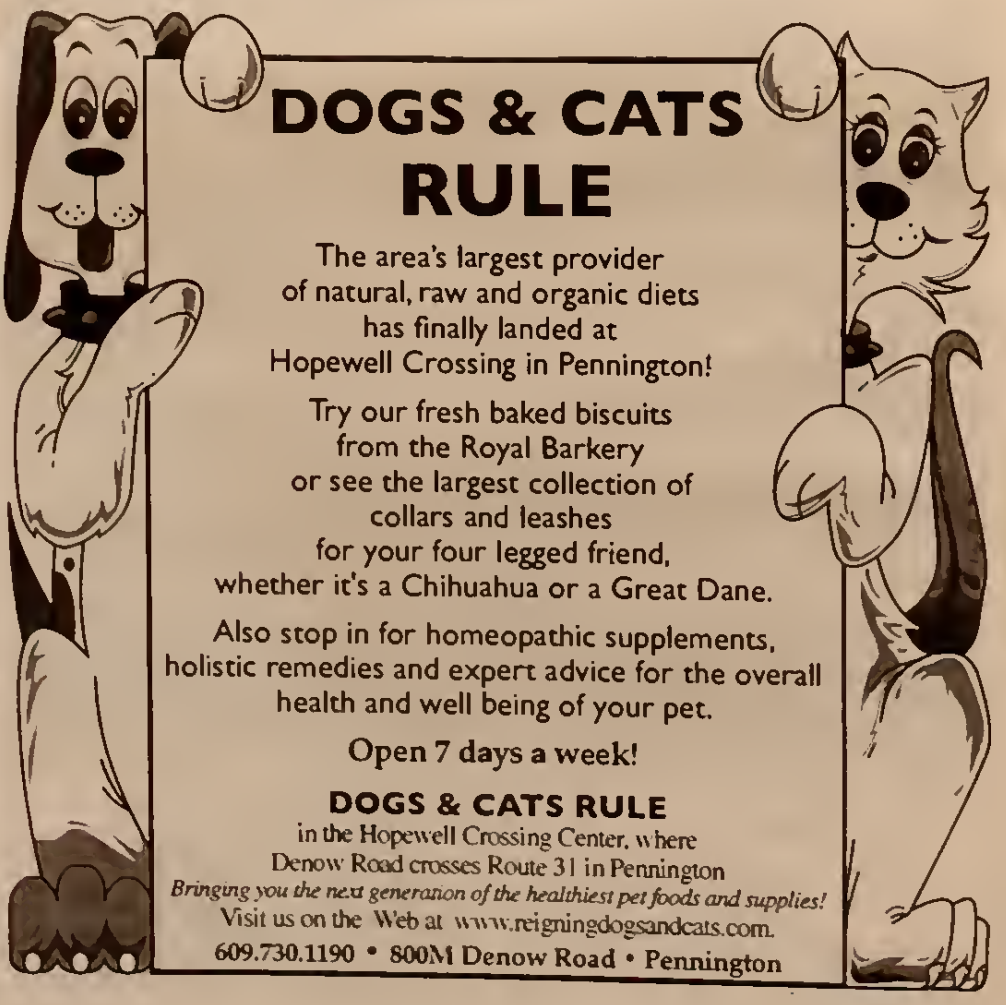

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Moni's Finishing Skills, Leadership Help PHS Boys' Lax to Hot Start

From the day Tyler Moni joined the Princeton High boys' lacrosse team as a freshman in 2004, he has been a top goal scorer for the Little Tigers.

This spring, however, Moni is looking to diversify his game, focusing on getting his playmaking skills up to snuff with his finishing brilliance.

"We've got a lot of good finishers," said Moni. "We need someone who can get the play sparked up and get us going. If that can be me, great. I'm trying to step up for us as I get older; I'm trying to be more of a leader."

The flashy junior certainly stepped up in helping PHS to wins in its first two outings of the season.

In the Little Tigers' opener against tough Christian Brothers, Moni scored the game winning goal in a 6-5 thriller. Last week, he added five goals and dished for two assists as PHS cruised past Lawrence 18-1.

In Moni's view, the Little Tigers' quick start is an outgrowth of the camaraderie forged on a preseason trip to Florida. "We hung out a lot on Florida," said Moni. "The whole team has a chemistry."

That chemistry was demonstrated in the rout over Lawrence as the Little Tiger starters willingly gave way to the reserves and then cheered as they added some goals.

"It gave us the chance to get a lot of players in," said Moni. "It makes the team deeper; it will help us down the stretch."

Moni appreciates the help he is getting from his sidekicks on attack, sophomore Brandon Polakoff and senior David Giancola.

"Brandon Polakoff is a great young player, he plays really well in the crease," added Moni with a smile. "'GC' [Giancola] is a natural leader; he's real good on attack."

PHS head coach Peter Stanton sees Moni as a natural who is getting better and better. "Tyler has great skills," asserted Stanton. "He's a good shooter; he's a good athlete; he's hard to guard. He is still best at finishing. It's not easy to see the whole field; it's something he's working on. He's got a lot of gifts."

PHS has other gifts up front in Polakoff and Giancola. "Brandon is doing a great job for us," said Stanton, referring to the powerful sophomore, who scored a total of seven goals in PHS' first two games. "David is a four-year starter; he's a leader out there for us."

The Little Tigers needed leadership in their opener as they battled back from an early 5-0 deficit in the win over Christian Brothers.

"We really dug ourselves a hole," recalled Stanton. "Everybody was really nervous; you could see it by the kids throwing balls at their feet. Later on we relaxed and things got better. That win definitely helped us to increase expectations. I hope it also helps develop a sense of urgency to not get in that situation again."

With the attack clicking and a veteran-laden defense looking stingy, Stanton is looking for more punch from his midfield.

"We need a few more players," acknowledged Stanton, whose club plays at WW/P-N on April 17.

"All of our goals in the first game were scored by our attack. Our midfield has been doing a good job helping the defense and in transition but we need them to get into the offense more."

Moni, for his part, believes things are coming together. "I love where this team is going," maintained Moni. "The defense is playing great and the offense is starting to get going. I think we're evening up on both sides of the field. I think we can do big things this year."

With a more versatile Moni leading the attack, it could be quite a year for PHS.

—Bill Alden

FIRING LINE: Princeton High star attacker Tyler Moni, right, heads to goal in action last spring. The junior attacker scored five goals and added two assists as PHS routed Lawrence 18-1 on April 4 to improve to 2-0 on the season. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

AIRTIGHT: Princeton High defenseman Casey Rahn, right, puts the clamps on a foe in a 2005 game. Rahn has helped spearhead a stingy PHS defense which yielded a total of only six goals in its first two outings this spring. In upcoming action, PHS plays at WW/P-N on April 17. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Hun Boys' Lax Displays Sharp Execution In Opening Season With Two Big Wins

ON FIRE: Hun School senior star Matt Loy looks for an opening in action last spring. Loy is off to a hot start this season, scoring seven goals in Hun's 18-3 rout of Blair last Wednesday and then adding eight more two days later in the Raiders' 14-7 triumph over Hillsborough. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

Last Wednesday was a day for the unexpected when it came to the weather.

The calendar said April 9 but by late morning a snow squall hit the area, blanketing the ground with about an inch of snow.

While many local high school athletic events were cancelled, the Hun School boys' lacrosse team went ahead with its season-opener against visiting Blair Academy.

With the day clearing but the sun coming with a stiff wind, new Hun head coach Greg Provenzano wasn't quite sure what to expect from his team in his debut.

"You hope they play well and keep up the intensity," said Provenzano, who is replacing Eric Kemp. "It doesn't matter who you play, you have to play hard. We wanted possession. If you win face-offs, you win possession."

Provenzano got a lot more than possession from his team as the Raiders peppered the back of the net, building a 7-0 lead after the first quarter with Matt Loy scoring three times.

Hun cruised to an 18-3 win over the outmanned Buccaneers, putting a smile on Provenzano's face as he reflected on his debut.

"I was very happy with the patience the guys showed," said Provenzano, whose team improved to 2-0 with a 14-7 win over Hillsborough last Friday. "We worked very hard on that offensively and defensively. They did things that we are trying to teach them."

Senior attackman Loy executed the Hun game plan with aplomb. "Matt did a great job today," asserted Provenzano of Loy, who fired in eight goals in Hun's win over Hillsborough and passed the 200-point mark in his career last season. "Our attack is starting to move the ball and make some shots. Matt is a leader out there and that's what I need him to be."

Hun is also getting some good leadership from junior goalie Trey Geier on the defensive end. "Trey was on the ball today," said Provenzano of his goalie who made 11 saves in the win over Blair. "He made some nice clears, without a doubt. He's been practicing that a lot. It's a game of focus and the defense had it. We weren't getting cheap penalties and we were forcing them to be impatient."

Provenzano is confident that the rout of Blair will be a harbinger of good things to come this spring.

"I tell these kids that if we can execute and see the open man, we can play with anybody," said Provenzano, whose club will next be in action when it plays at Academy of New Church on April 13. "Lacrosse is a game anybody can win; they just need to play smart. We need to keep building on this."

If Hun can keep executing, it should prove to be a lot more consistent than the flighty spring weather.

—Bill Alden

IN GOOD HANDS: Hun School goalie Trey Geier controls the ball in a 2005 game. Last Friday, Geier recorded 15 saves to help Hun beat Hillsborough 14-7. In upcoming action, the Raiders play at Academy of New Church on April 13. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Stinson's Emergence as Shooting Star Sparks Hun Girls' Lacrosse to 5-0 Start

Battling a downpour and a determined Princeton Day School squad, the Hun School girls' lacrosse team was reeling early in the second half last Saturday.

After building a 7-5 lead at the half, Hun found itself knotted 7-7 shortly after the break. "They got two goals and we were rattled," recalled Hun head coach Lauren Provenzano.

But with senior star Mary Stinson refusing to let Hun succumb to the elements or the Panthers, the Raiders righted the ship and pulled out a 11-10 squeaker.

Stinson, who scored a game-high six goals, has emerged as Hun's top gun and spiritual leader this spring. "Mary has been the one to get things going," said Provenzano, whose club got the game-winner on a free position goal by Steph Arditte in the waning seconds of the see-saw contest. "She gets the other kids riled up; she has been really great for us."

Provenzano acknowledged that the 6'0 Stinson, who has been known more in local athletic circles for her basketball prowess, has been a pleasant surprise.

"In our first scrimmage in Florida she was much more aggressive in the 8-meter area," said Provenzano, who got four more goals from Stinson last Monday as Hun topped George School 14-11 to improve to 5-0 on the season. "She just exploded to the net and I'm thinking what do I have on my hands here. She is a senior captain and she wants to set the bar high."

Hun has been getting superb leadership from its other senior captains, Katie Kirnan and Kate Rutkowski.

"All three captains have been setting the tone," asserted Provenzano, who got six goals from Kirnan in the win over George. "If I'm frustrated, I express it to them and they convey it to the rest of the team. Kate Rutkowski has been great on defense. I feel that all my bases are covered with these captains, I'm very confident in them."

That leadership was essential since Hun entered the season juggling its lineup in the wake of the graduation of such stars as Bis Fries, Ashley Wycoff, Gwen Birnkrant, Ali Damico, and Teresa Grzeczkowicz.

Provenzano admits that she thought it would take longer for things to come together. "I didn't anticipate this," said Provenzano. "I knew we could be competitive with the good athletes we have. The chemistry has been really good; the girls are really there for each other."

That chemistry has helped Hun develop a knack for winning the close games. "That was a tough game last Saturday," said Provenzano. "It showed the girls they have to keep competitive. We have played some scrappy teams. We learned that when you're down, it doesn't matter and you can still come back."

While Provenzano is heartened by her team's hot start, she knows there are some stiff tests on the horizon. "We have a lot of competitive teams coming up," said Provenzano, whose club hosts defending state Prep A champion Oak Knoll on April 13 before playing Lawrenceville on April 18. "It'll be interesting to see how we handle that."

—Bill Alden

EVASIVE ACTION: Hun School junior Claire Halliday, right, eludes Princeton Day School's Keely Langdon last Saturday in Hun's 11-10 win over the Panthers. Halliday scored a goal in the win. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

STANDING TALL: Hun School senior star Mary Stinson looks for an opening on her way to a six-goal performance last Saturday in Hun's 11-10 win over Princeton Day School. Last Monday, the 6'0 Stinson tallied four times in the Raiders' 14-11 win over George School. With Stinson scoring 21 goals so far this season, Hun is off to a sizzling 5-0 start. In upcoming action, the Raiders host defending state Prep A champion Oak Knoll on April 13 before playing Lawrenceville on April 18. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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With Shimkin Emerging as Catalyst, PDS Baseball Out of the Gate at 3-0

Mike Shimkin may only be a sophomore but he is determined to be the catalyst for the Princeton Day School baseball team.

"My goal is to just get on base," said Shimkin, who bats leadoff for the Panthers. "It doesn't matter if I don't have the highest average on the team as long as I get on base."

The speedy outfielder outdid himself last Thursday as he scored four runs and blasted a three-run triple to help spark PDS to a 12-6 win over Timothy Christian.

Shimkin acknowledged he is a more confident player with one year of high school baseball under his belt.

"In middle school, the pitchers aren't too good," said Shimkin, who helped PDS get to the state Prep B title game last spring. "I was adjusting last year. This year I know what to expect."

The affable Shimkin expects to get knocked in if he succeeds in getting on base. "Guys like Bam [Miller], Clint [O'Brien] and Andrew [Davidson] are hitting behind me and I have confidence that they can knock me in," asserted a smiling Shimkin, who sparked the PDS football team last fall, helping the Panthers tie a program record with a 7-1 campaign.

"Pretty much everybody on the team is better this year. We also have some good freshmen, guys like Matt [Raborn] and Blake [Backinoff] are talented."

PDS head coach Bruce Devlin sees Shimkin as one of his most talented players. "Mike is much improved from last year," said Devlin.

"He's swinging at strikes and he's working the count at lead-off. He has all the potential to be a great lead-off hitter. Once he gets on base he can wreak havoc, running and doing all kinds of stuff."

In assessing his team's win over Timothy Christian, Devlin acknowledged that his team did some bad stuff.

"This was a not a very good game for us but we'll take the win," said Devlin, whose club improved to 3-0 with a 14-9 win over Pennington last Monday. "We made some baserunning mistakes that you can't make in close ball games and we're going to work on that."

Devlin is confident that his team will work through the kinks that inevitably crop up in the early stages of the season.

"We're a young team and we have to learn that we can't just show up and go through the motions," said Devlin.

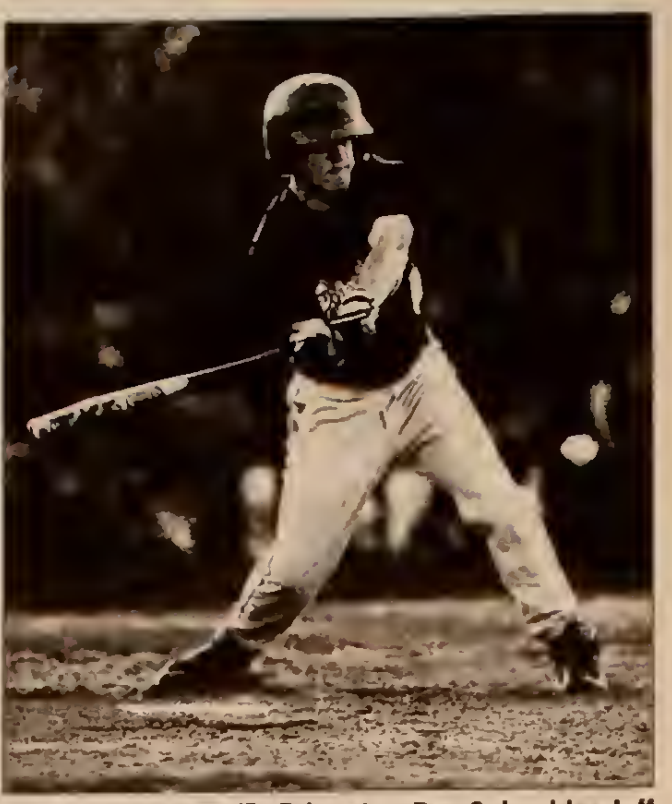
"We've got to play hard and they will. We're going to learn from today's mistakes and build on that."

The goal for PDS is to be peaking in May by the time the Prep B playoffs roll around. "We feel like we want to build momentum and play our best baseball at the end of the year," said Devlin, whose team hosts defending Prep A champion Peddie on April 18. "You want to play well, you want to win games and .you want to improve."

Shimkin, for his part, thinks that PDS is going to win a lot of games this spring. "Our goal is to win the Prep B title," maintained Shimkin. "We got to the championship game last year and we want to get over that hump. In the beginning of the season, we're always a little rusty. Once the season gets going, we should really start to click as a team."

—Bill Alden

THE RIGHT STUFF: Princeton Day School sophomore Clint O'Brien fires a delivery in his relief appearance last Thursday in PDS' 12-6 win over Timothy Christian. O'Brien's contributions on the mound and at the plate have helped the Panthers get off to a 3-0 start. PDS will look to keep on the winning track when it hosts defending Prep A champion Peddie on April 18. (Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)



TOP OF THE ORDER: Princeton Day School leadoff man Mike Shimkin takes a rip last Thursday in PDS' 12-6 win over Timothy Christian. Shimkin scored four runs and chipped in a three-run triple to help spark the Panthers to victory.

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Rebounding From Opening Day Loss, PDS Softball Developing Confidence

It was the kind of bitter defeat that could have severely discouraged a team looking to build confidence.

Taking a 4-3 lead into the bottom of the seventh inning of its season opener at Rutgers Prep the Princeton Day School softball team yielded two runs to suffer a disappointing 5-4 setback.

Under new head coach Holly Fewkes, PDS didn't hang its heads, rebounding to whip Timothy Christian 7-2 and Morrisville 15-3 in its next two outings.

In Fewkes' view, her club gained some important lessons from squandering that late lead against Rutgers Prep.

"It was tough but it taught us a lot," said Fewkes, referring to the opening day loss. "We realize that we can be right there with just about anybody but that we need to finish things off."

PDS has shown a definite ability to finish things at the plate. "We've been showing a killer instinct, scoring more runs early," said Fewkes, who is replacing Trese Lang after serving as an assistant coach in the program the last four seasons. "I definitely feel we are gaining confidence, especially at the plate. When people are on base, we are driving them in."

A key catalyst for the PDS attack has been senior shortstop Cait McPhaden. "When Cait gets up to bat with people on base, she's been generally good at driving them in," said Fewkes of her shortstop, who delivered a big double in PDS' rout of Morrisville last Thursday.

PDS, though has been getting production throughout the lineup. "Hannah Tamminen has four RBIs already," added Fewkes, whose club improved to 3-1 with its 1-0 win over Blair last Monday. "Meg Francfort had a grand slam that ended the game against Morrisville. It was good to see us come through like that with the bases loaded. Emily Exter has been our designated player and has hit well for us. She did really well against Rutgers Prep."

In addition to its potent offense, PDS has been getting some stellar mound work from junior pitching ace Nicole Auerbach.

"She seems more confident; she really wants to have a good season," said Fewkes referring to her righty who piled up 47 strikeouts in her first four outings. "She goes out everyday with determination and focus."

In Fewkes' view, Auerbach's success this spring has been the product of both skill and preparation.

"She has six pitches and she is using them all," said Fewkes. "We keep track of her pitches and we are using that when the batters come up again to help her with pitch selection."

With PDS facing local rivals Princeton High on April 19 and the Hun School a day later, Fewkes is hoping her club can keep on track.

"I'm really proud of the whole team," asserted Fewkes. "A start like this makes them feel good about themselves."

—Bill Alden

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT: Princeton Day School pitching ace Nicole Auerbach hurls a pitch in action last season. Auerbach, a junior, has gotten off to a hot start this spring, picking up 47 strikeouts in pitching PDS to a 3-1 record. In upcoming action, the Panthers host Princeton High on April 19 before playing at Hun a day later.

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Cigarettes are clearly a defective product within the meaning of the law. It's beyond argument that prolonged use of cigarettes causes cancer, heart and vascular disease, that safe cigarettes are impossible to make, and that cigarettes are addictive.

While it has long known its products are harmful, the tobacco industry has conducted campaigns of disinformation, misinformation, political pressure, lobbying and outright lies to protect itself. It introduced so-called "light cigarettes," which can be more harmful than its traditional products. It has asserted that filters lessen the delivery of tars and nicotine, though they require smokers to inhale more deeply. It claimed menthol eases the irritation of cigarette smoke, when in fact it's simply another respiratory irritant. It gears its advertising toward young people because it knows the key to creating lifetime smokers is to addict them when they're still in their teens. There can be no question that the industry knowingly misrepresented itself and fraudulently deceived the public.

In the late 1960s, America's Surgeon General embarked on a program to lessen the impact and costs of cigarettes on public health. The industry's response was to try and water down any actions that might affect its profits. It lobbied Congress and mounted campaigns claiming no scientific proof existed that cigarettes were harmful. Although in time more direct warnings were required on tobacco products, an entire new generation of smokers was hooked.

Some years ago, I sued Philip Morris, Inc., on behalf of a young man who'd developed throat cancer, and later died from it. An expert physician from Johns Hopkins Medical Center was prepared to testify that smoking caused the cancer. When my client alleged the industry's warnings weren't adequate, Philip Morris asserted "federal preemption," a principle of law that says states cannot require manufacturers to place labels or warnings on their product if the federal government has already acted. In effect, this prevents state courts from requiring stronger warnings even when federal requirements are inadequate or incomplete. A federal judge agreed with Philip Morris and dismissed our case.

Our arguments about fraud and misrepresentation were also rejected because New Jersey requires plaintiffs to demonstrate specific reliance. Put simply, my client would have to list the specific instances on which he saw advertisements that led him to use Philip Morris's products – in others words, to smoke.

No other industry in American history has done as much harm to the public's health as the tobacco industry. Yet, it continues to market and promote its products by willfully attracting young people to use them – with the full knowledge they will become addicted. In New Jersey, we can't even bring them to account for the families they've harmed, and the lives they've taken.

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TAKING A PASS: Princeton Day School senior star Mary Peters, left, looks for an open teammate in recent action. Last Monday, Peters chipped in an assist as the Panthers topped WW/P-S 13-3 to improve to 3-1 on the season. Katy Briody scored six goals in the contest to lead PDS with Keely Langdon adding four. The Panthers host Peddie on April 18. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

STUART

Lacrosse: Junior star Kelly Bruvik led the way as Stuart edged Rutgers Prep 9-7 last Monday to break into the winning column for the first time this spring. Bruvik fired in five goals with Elizabeth Bucklee adding two. In upcoming action, the Tartans, now 1-2, host Morristown-Beard on April 18.

PHS

Softball: Paced by a stellar pitching effort from junior ace Dylan Zink, PHS blanked Trenton 10-0 last Thursday. Zink held the Tornadoes to one hit, striking out 14 in the contest. Patty Nottingham Julia Winder, and Keylen Hagadorn contributed RBIs to give Zink offensive support. In upcoming action, the Little Tigers, now 1-1, host WW/P-N on April 17 before playing at Princeton Day School on April 19.

Girls' Lacrosse: Continuing its sizzling start, PHS routed Lawrence 20-8 last Thursday to improve to 3-0 on the season. Elizabeth Haughton led the way with five goals with Sarah Wright and Allegra Formento chipping in four goals apiece. The Little Tigers host Montgomery on April 17.

Boys' Golf: Displaying its considerable depth, PHS cruised to a 186-239 win over Allentown last Thursday in a match played at Springdale Golf Club. All five Little Tigers broke 40 in the nine-hole match with Jordan Gibbs and Jon Bichsel both coming in at 36.

PHS is next in action when it has a match at Hopewell Valley on April 18.

HUN

Baseball: Andrew Baxter stroked the pivotal hit as Hun edged Steinert 2-1 last Thursday. Baxter, batting ninth in the Hun order, smacked a two-run double in the seventh to plate the winning runs. Colin Cento came on in relief to pick up the win on the mound. In upcoming action, Hun, now 2-1, plays at Princeton High on April 13 before hosting Hill on April 19.

Golf: Hun lost by three strokes to Nottingham last Monday in a match played at the TPC at Jasna Polana. Hun shot a 220 while the Northstars scored 217. Scot Demler led the way for the Raiders, carding a nine-hole total of 42. The Raiders, now 3-1, have a match at Lawrenceville on April 18.

LAWRENCEVILLE

Boys' Lacrosse: Evan Sullivan had another big game as Lawrenceville whipped Columbia High 15-5 last Wednesday. Sullivan scored four goals and dished for two assists as Lawrenceville improved to 4-0. The Big Red play at Bridgewater-Raritan on April 12.

Girls' Lacrosse: Unable to get its offense untracked, Lawrenceville fell 15-1 to powerful Moorestown last Wednesday. The Big Red, who fell to 1-1 with the loss, host Germantown Academy on April 13 and Hun on April 18.

PDS

Boys' Lacrosse: Patrick Briody had a big game but it wasn't enough as PDS dropped a 12-10 decision at Rutgers Prep last Saturday. Briody fired in six goals and added an assist with Fred Mittnacht chipping in two goals. The Panthers, who fell to 2-1 with the setback, play at Voorhees on April 11.

Boys' Tennis: Dylan Dreher starred as PDS topped Pennington 4-1 last Monday. Moving up to third singles from his normal doubles spot, Dreher posted a 6-0,6-0 win. PDS, now 2-2, plays at Peddie on April 18.

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GOING TO THE MATT: Princeton High senior Matt Welsh fires a pitch last Thursday in PHS' 2-1 extra inning win over Trenton. Last Monday, Welsh and the Little Tigers were on the wrong side of a nailbiter as they fell 5-4 at Allentown. The Little Tigers, now 1-2, have home games against Hun School on April 13 and WW/P-N on April 17. *(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)*

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Post 218 Baseball Holding Tryouts

The Princeton American Legion Post 218 baseball program will be conducting tryouts for its senior (ages 14-19) and junior (ages 14-17) baseball teams on April 23 from 3-5 p.m. at Barbara Smoyer Park in Princeton.

Candidates for the teams must be residents of Princeton or Cranbury and/or attending Princeton or Cranbury schools including Princeton Day School and Hun School.

For more information, contact Paul Horan at (609) 921-5257 or at princetonpost218albc@yahoo.com.

Patriots Baseball Edged by Colts Select

The Princeton Patriots 12-and-under baseball team lost 2-0 to Colts Select in Dave Gallagher League action last Sunday.

Clay Alter pitched well in a losing cause, yielding only 5 hits and 1 earned run, while Alter, Philip Pecora, and Josh Berger chipped in two hits apiece for the Patriots.

Eden Family 5k Run Set for April 23

The third annual Eden Family 5k and Fun Run will be held on April 23 at the Doral Forrestal at 100 College Road East in Princeton.

The event, which is being held in conjunction with National Autism Awareness month, features a 5k road race and a 1-mile Fun Run on a relatively flat USATF-certified course.

The Fun Run starts at 8:30 a.m. while the 5k begins at 9 a.m. The registration fee for the 5k race is $19 in advance and $22 on race day while the entry fee for the Fun Run is $14 in advance and $16 on race day.

For more information on the event or to register, contact the race director, Jerry Fennelly, by phone at (609) 631-9211 or via e-mail at fennelly@fennely.com. Information on the event is also available by logging on to www.edenfamily5k.org.

Princeton Pop Warner Holding Registration

The Princeton Pop Warner Youth Football and Cheerleading Program is currently registering children for the 2006 season which begins on August 1.

Boys and girls ages 5-14 are invited to register for football and cheerleading. The program provides all equipment except cleats.

This program is starting its fourth year and has been growing continuously. Last year, the Princeton program had a flag team and five tackle teams in the Central Jersey league in addition to offering cheerleading for the first time.

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For more information, log on to www.princetonpopwarner.com, forward an e-mail to ptonpopwarner@aol.com, or call Brooke Vieten (609) 203-1311. The registration fee is $130 through the end of March and then goes up to $200. Full scholarships are available.

PHS Football Coach Holding Summer Camp

Princeton High School football head coach Stephen Everette and the PHS Booster Club will hold its annual youth football camp July 11-13 at the PHS turf field.

Working in groups and individually will allow for accelerated skill development and a better fundamental understanding of the game for beginners through experienced players. It is a non-contact camp for youth ages 8-14 and will run from 9 a.m.-noon each day.

The cost is $100 for three days or $35/day. Scholarships are available. For more information or brochure, contact coach Everette by phone at (609) 204-1850 or via e-mail at stephen_everette@monet.prs.k12.nj.us.

Men's Summer Hoops Meeting Now on May 4

The Princeton Recreation Department will host a managers' meeting for its men's summer basketball league on May 4 at 6:30 p.m., rescheduling it from the original May 2 date.

The meeting will be held in the Lower Level Conference Room of the Princeton Recreation office located at 380 Witherspoon Street.

Anyone interested in entering a team into the league must attend the meeting. For more information, contact Ben Stentz at (609) 921-9480 or by e-mail at stentz@princeton-township.nj.us.

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OBITUARIES

Nicholas Procaccino

Nicholas A. Procaccino, 20, of Princeton died April 7 of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Born in Raritan Township and a lifelong Princeton resident, he was a 2003 graduate of Princeton High School, where he was co-captain of the football team.

He attended Mercer County Community College for two years, and at the time of his death was enrolled at the Institute of Audio Research in New York City.

He worked at the community service project High-Hoops in Trenton. An avid musician, songwriter, and recording artist, he was also a sports fan.

He is survived by his parents, John and Laura Rodweller Procaccino, a sisier, Alexis N. Procaccino, and his maternal grandfather, William Rodweller, all of Princeton; many aunts, uncles, and cousins; and a special friend, Ashley Heller.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on April 11 at St. Paul's Church. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Princeton High School Football Athletic Fund, c/o Coach Steve Everett, 151 Moore Street, Princeton 08540; or to The Health Care Ministry of St. Paul's Church, P.O. Box 1517, Princeton 08542; or to the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 529, Princeton 08542.

Arrangements were by The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

Libert Pinelli

Libert Pinelli, 80, a lifelong Princeton resident, died April 6 at Princeton Care Center.

He attended Princeton public schools.

He was a retired landscape gardener, associated with his father, Henry Pinelli, in Princeton.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II as a squad leader in the 30th CA light machine gun squad, serving in four major campaigns in the Battle of the Bulge. His many combat awards included the combat infantry badge and the bronze star. He was discharged with the rank of Staff Sergeant.

He enjoyed many sports, especially baseball.

The son of the late Jennie and Henry Pinelli, he is survived by a sister, Mary C. Pirone of Princeton; and three brothers, John of Skillman, Alexander of Hopewell, and Raymond of Lawrenceville.

The funeral was April 10 at the Kimble Funeral Home. Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Marjorie D. Fischer

Marjorie Denzer Fischer, 85, of Princeton, died January 6 at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood following an intracranial event.

Born in Canton, Ohio, to Dr. Harry V. and Alice Denzer, she graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1942 with a B.A. degree in English and fine arts.

Shortly after graduation she moved to New York City where she met the late John J. Fischer of Princeton. After their marriage in 1946 she lived in Princeton until her death.

Mrs. Fischer was active in civic pursuits including the PTA and the Princeton Hospital Fete, which she served as chairperson for several years. She was a volunteer at Princeton Hospital for more than 50 years and accumulated over 5000 service hours, most recently in the post-anesthesia care unit. She was also an active member of Trinity Episcopal Church.

She is survived by two sons, J. Christopher of Davis, Calif., and Mark D. of Randolph, N.J.; a daughter, Jenny Hill of Ridgewood, N.J.; a brother, William Denzer; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Friday, April 21 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 33 Mercer Street.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Medical Center at Princeton.

Rosemary C. Tarr

Rosemary Carroll Tarr, 83, of Plainsboro, recently of Princeton, died April 3 at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Philadelphia, she lived in Cranbury and the suburbs of Chicago before moving to Princeton 12 years ago.

A graduate of Friends Select School of Philadelphia and Harcum Junior College in Bryn Mawr, she also attended Penn State University.

She was a member of Nassau Presbyterian Church and a former member of the Present Day Club.

Daughter of the late M. Francis and Edna Carroll, she is survived by her husband, Stanley R. Tarr; two sons, Christopher of Princeton and Richard of Carthage, N.Y.; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 6 at Nassau Presbyterian Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau Street, Princeton 08542.

Anne M. Sheldon

Anne Mehaffy Sheldon of Princeton died April 1 at home, after a long illness.

Born in Little Rock, Ark, she was the daughter of the late Charles and Marcella Mehaffy.

Before her marriage in 1943, she studied for two years at the KingSmith Studio For Girls in Washington, D.C., where her Eurhythmics teacher was Martha Graham, and her English teacher Lesley Frost, daughter of the poet Robert Frost. She then moved to the Rehearsal Club in New York City, studying voice with Frantz Proschowsky and modeling for Eastman Kodak at the 1939 World's Fair.

A member of Actors' Equity, she was a professional actor for more than 50 years. She worked in the early years of live television in Buffalo, N.Y., and appeared in summer stock and at The Studio Theatre (now Studio Arena Theatre) in Buffalo. At McCarter Theatre, she portrayed Adelaide in *Guys and Dolls* and many other characters in a long run of successful PJ&B productions. She also worked in regional theaters around the country, appearing as Winnie in Beckett's *Happy Days* and as Amanda Wingfield in Williams's *The Glass Menagerie* at Richmond's TheaterVirginia, earning Phoebe Awards for Best Actress for both performances.

A long-time gardener and prize-winning needlework designer, she knitted for the Trinity Church St. Nicholas Bazaar. She was also a retired member of the Junior League, an active member of the Chemistry Club, and the volunteer with the most years of service to the New Jersey unit of Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, where she first began recording in 1958.

Predeceased by her husband, Fred Russell Sheldon, she is survived by her three children, Andrew of Ringoes, Charles of Trenton, and Abby Dickinson Sheldon-Dean of Charlotte, Vt.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandsons.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity Church on Saturday, May 6, at 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the New Jersey Unit of Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, 69 Mapleton Road, Princeton 08540.

Benton Blake Camper

Benton Blake Camper, 76 of Montgomery Township, died suddenly Sunday, April 9, at his home.

Born in Montgomery County, Virginia, he had been a resident of Montgomery Township since 1963. A graduate of Emory and Henry College in Emory, Virginia, he received his Masters from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, Virginia. He had been an aerospace engineer prior to founding the Nassau Racquet and Tennis Club in 1971. He was a member of the Old Guard in Princeton.

He is survived by his wife Carolyn G. Camper; a son Benton B. Camper, Jr., of Montgomery Township; a daughter Carolyn Wemer of Yardley, Pa.; a sister: Nancy Jo Akers of Roanoke, Virginia; and four grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held Tuesday, April 18, 2006 at 1 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Nassau Street at Vandeventer Ave., Princeton. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Montgomery Emergency Medical Services, P.O. Box 105, Belle Mead, N.J. 08502.

Arrangements are under the direction of The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, Princeton.

Raffaele Carnevale

Raffaele Carnevale, 76, of Princeton, died April 3 at the University Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Isernia, Italy, he came to the United States, and Princeton, in 1956.

He retired after many years as a mason with Union Local No. 5 in Edison.

He was a member of St. Paul's Church.

Son of the late Pasquale and Giuseppina Carnevale, he is survived by his wife, Livia; a son, Ralph of Birmingham, Mich.; two daughters, Jo Emann of Lawrenceville and Lisa Lyle of Princeton; a brother, Domenico, and sister, Assuntina Azzolini, both of Isernia; and five grandchildren.

The funeral was April 8 at The Mather-Hodge Funeral Home. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Paul's Church.

Burial was in Princeton Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 2550 Route 1, North Brunswick 08902-4301.

Cay C. Mohrman

Cay Cummings Mohrman, 81, of Duxbury, Mass., formerly of Princeton, died March 21 at Jordan Hospital in Plymouth, Mass.

Born in Bay City, Mich., she was a Princeton resident for 49 years before moving to Duxbury in 2005.

An interior decorator for many years, she decorated the Honeymoon Lodge at Monticello in Charlottesville, Va.,

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and had an interior decorating business tn Princeton. She was an owner of Gallery 100 for many years, a former Nassau Street art gallery.

She was a docent at Morven Museum and Garden, the former New Jersey Governor's Manston and 18th century home of Richard Stockton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence. She was also a founding member of the Princeton Chemtstry Club and a long-standing member of the Maine Chance Group.

She is survived by three sons, Brooks of San Francisco and Mexico City, Mace of Southampton, N.Y., and Morgan of Duxbury, Mass,; a daughter, Darby O'Netll of Blawenburg; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, May 5 at 11 a.m. at Trinity Church, with a reception immediately following at the Nassau Club.

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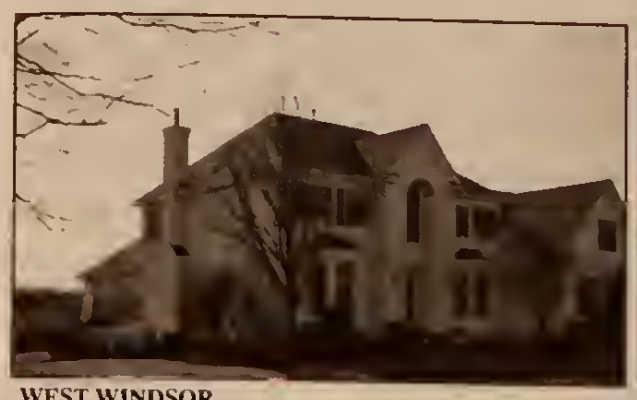

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Wine Cellars and Cabinet Systems Offer Optimum Storage Conditions

Red or white? Whether it's sipping a social glass of wine with friends, checking out the latest varietal at a tasting, or discovering a new flavor sensation, more and more Americans are enjoying wine and including it as an important part of a gracious dining or social experience.

This increase in consumption and interest has resulted in the availability of many different styles and sizes of self-contained wine storage solutions.

"They range from simple little closets to rooms large enough for 5,000 to 7,000 bottles," says Rich Ringer, New Jersey Regional Manager of Apex Wine Cellars & Saunas in Somerset.

Fully temperature- (55-60 degrees) and humidity- (50-70 percent) controlled, they will provide safe-keeping for those special bottles, until the time is right for a grand opening.

Storage Systems

"These wine storage systems can go in any room," explains Mr. Ringer, "but typically, they are on a lower level. Sometimes, they are in a butler's pantry."

Smaller wine closets and cabinets are also found in the kitchen. "In wine refrigerators, cabinets or closets, red is usually placed on top, and white on the bottom, which is a little colder," points out Tom Gray, manager of Mrs. G's Appliances in Lawrenceville. "We have all different sizes of wine refrigerators, closets, even drawers, from 20 bottles and up.

"These are so popular now. We sell a lot of them," he continues. "A lot of people are designing wine refrigerators and closets into their kitchens today. Above the counter, below the counter. There are so many choices. You can have wood panel, different trims, stainless steel doors, glass doors, etc. Wine refrigerators have been around for a long time, but now they're becoming a normal part of a new kitchen."

Rich and Famous

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into their home, but now Apex offers the opportunity to have custom wine cellar rooms in various sizes for individual home owners. In addition, in the past 20 years, the company has installed wine racking for retailers, hotels, and restaurants across the U.S. and abroad.

"Someone with a large number of bottles is really a collector," points out Mr. Ringer. "As with any hobby, it gets you involved. Some people store and trade wines. They often belong to wine clubs and have tastings at their homes. We can provide residential cellars of 20 feet by 20 feet, which contain 5,000 to 7,000 bottles."

Since they are custom-designed, many choices are available, and they often have tile flooring, inset cabinets, marble counter-tops, picture arches, quarter round shelving, curved corners, among other features. A more contemporary design could include curved racking, recessed rope lighting, elevated bottle display, and inset diamond bins. All racking is hand-crafted by the Apex experts.

Wine cabinets and closets are in many different styles, including traditional, contemporary and in different woods. "There is even a 'wine cave'," reports Mr. Ringer.

Grape Carving

The doors can also be customized, including solid wood with grape carving, curved top with glass and iron inserts, or solid wood with two large round panels, among other options.

Headquartered in Seattle, Wash., Apex covers New Jersey, as well as Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New York. "Princeton accounts for one of the biggest parts of our local business," adds Mr. Ringer.

For something a bit smaller, Mrs. G's offers wine refrigerators, cabinets, and drawers from such companies as Marvel and Viking, says Tom Gray. "24 bottles, 30, 54, 108, and on up. Choices are available in style, size, color, racking, lighting, and interior. Ultra violet glass doors protect wines from damaging UV rays."

These wine cabinets, closets and drawers are becoming an integral part of many kitchens, he notes. "People are buying fashion more than function today. They want a new look — what looks good in the kitchen — and we can accommodate them."

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When planning what to include in your outdoor living space, it begins with landscaping. It's important to consider the setting, point out the experts at Munds Landscape and Design in Lambertville, who specialize in landscaping, hardscaping, poolscaping, and water features. Factors to take into account are site situation, elevation, soil and wind conditions, and deer browsing.

"When we plan a design, we often start with the hardscape, such as building a patio, walkway, driveway, or pool," explains Munds design consultant Chris Chwal. "For the design, we sit down with the client and combine their likes and taste with the environment and our experience. We could incorporate a lot of nice trees, including any number of flowering trees, and evergreens, also shrubs, perennials, rose bushes (a little higher maintenance), and annuals."

Deer browsing is the biggest garden problem in New Jersey, adds Mr. Chwal, and including items they don't like is important. "There are a lot of variables, however," he

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notes. "They tend to eat different things in different areas."

Dry River Bed

Other features to enhance the backyard are rockscapes, such as fieldstone walls and giant boulder placement in natural settings, and waterscapes, including a pond with fish. "You can also have a dry river bed, which looks like a creek, but it's actually dry," he adds.

Jeff Baumley, owner of Baumley Nursery, Landscaping & Garden Center, points out another way to make the garden especially inviting.

"If it's a big garden, you can have a really nice sequence of bloom that will continue for many months. You can establish a sequential bloom, starting with early blooming trees, such as star magnolias and Little Girl hybrids, including Betty, Jane and Anne. Then, the ornamental pears, flowering cherries and flowering plums add beautiful color.

"In the first week of May, you'll see the flowering dogwood, and Rutgers hybrid dogwood blooms in mid-May. Later in May and early June, Chinese dogwood blooms until mid-July."

To keep the color coming, he notes that Regent Scholar (Saphora tree) is a summer bloomer in August. Flowering shrubs, such as lilac, flaming almond, azalea, rhododendron, hydrangea, and spirea, will all add wonderful color.

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foliage, with blue flowers," adds Mr. Baumley.

Early-Blooming

Pansies are important early-blooming flowers, and will continue through the fall, and he also notes that dahlias are popular in the summer and can be planted in early spring.

The ambiance of the garden can be enhanced by its framework, explains Charles Peterson, Jr., owner of Peterson's Nursery & Landscaping. "With a large garden area, it's nice to surround the perimeter with color, such as flowering trees, including cherries, plums, and pears. And it's ideal to surround the property line with flowering shrubs and perennials. Plant them according to height. You can also add taller trees for privacy and have a nice secluded garden area."

Water gardens are a specialty of Peterson's and a very appealing addition, he points out. "They can be in many sizes and styles. When there is a slope, put a pond at the bottom, with a water fall at the upper end flowing into the pond. It's necessary to have fish in the pond to keep the mosquitoes down."

A water garden is a very attractive destination for an outside party, he adds. "It's nice to feature flowers and grasses around it. Also, a bridge and arbor are attractive. And you can have stone, including small or large boulders, and crushed stone. They

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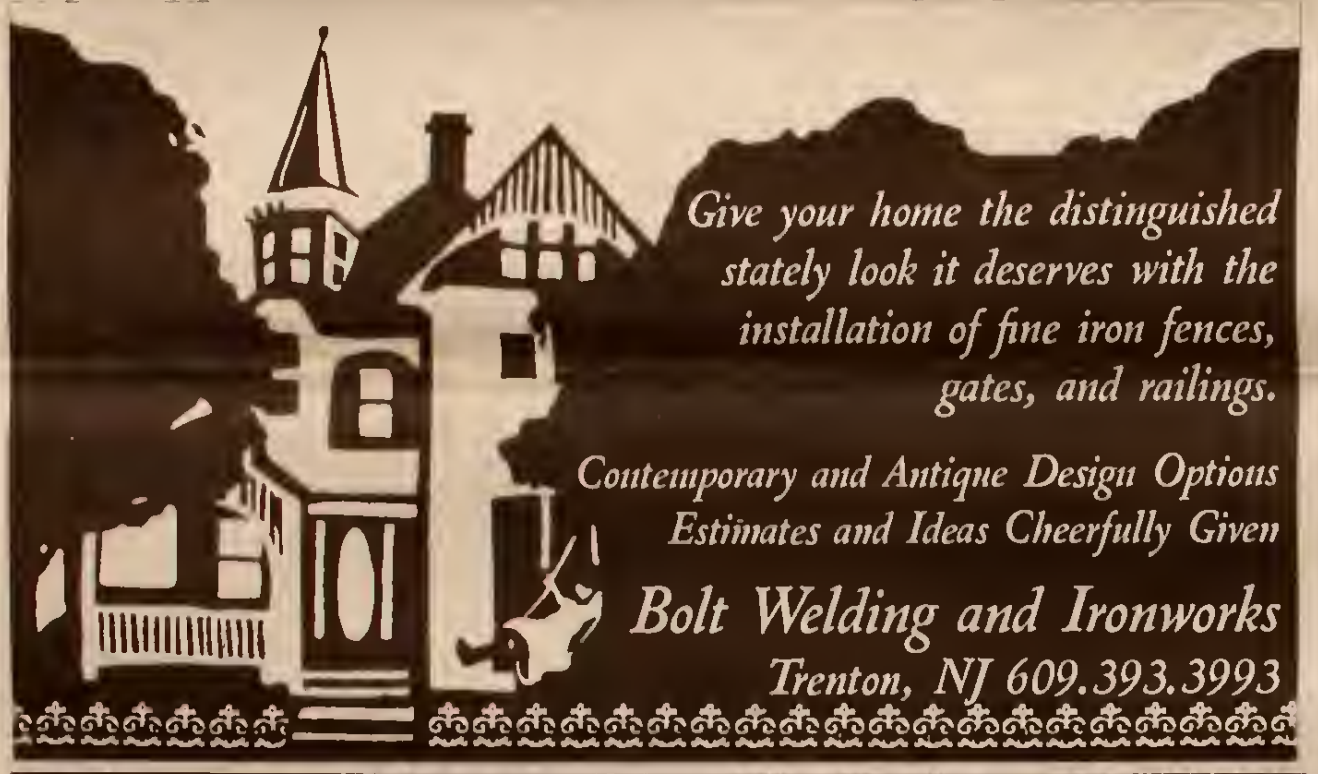

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Hot Items

"Outdoor lighting is very popular now," says Hesco manager Nancy Whitlock. "People are just enjoying being outside more. All the landscaping, patios and decks are very hot items now, and outdoor lighting goes right along with it."

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safety (such as step lighting, illuminating steps) and also deters intruders."

Deciding what to light is important, adds Ms. Whitlock. Trees, bushes, statues, pools, walkways, and water gardens are all possibilities and determine which kind of light you need.

Accent lighting, fill-in lighting, down-lighting, up-lighting, spot-lighting — these are all options, and within each category, there is a myriad of fixtures in every style, size and shape.

Accent lighting focuses attention on a particular object or area. For example, spot-lighting a statue, pathway or walkway or lighting a flower bed with spread lights. Fill-in lighting is background lighting. It ties the overall landscape picture together. Some examples are back-lighting a tree, washing over a wall or fence, or flooding a row of evergreens with soft light.

"You can convey a mood with landscape lighting," notes Ms. Whitlock. "Moon-lighting, up-lighting, shadowing, and

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silhouetting are all different choices. If the light is placed in a tree, for example, it shines down and is moonlighting. If it is placed below the tree, it will shine upward, and you will get the texture from the tree trunk."

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One thing to keep in mind, points out Ms. Whitlock, is not to overdo it. "Remember, with landscape lighting, less is more. The more light, the more bugs! And there is also the possibility of too much glare."

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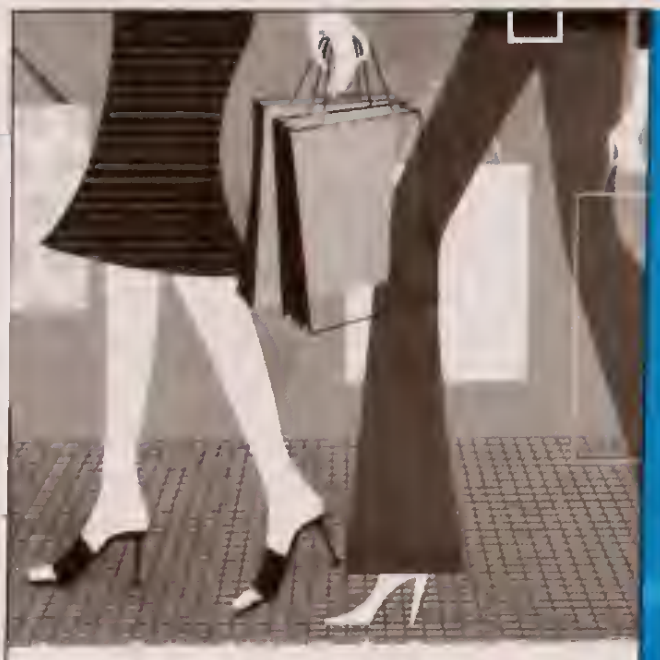

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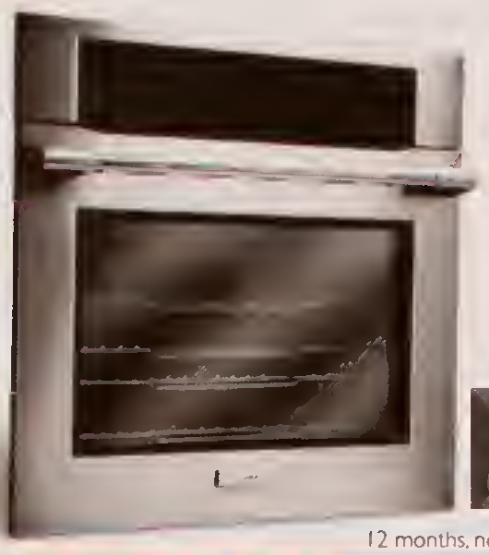

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Numerous special events are planned during the course of the showhouse including: the Patron's Party on Saturday, April 22, fashion designer Dana Buchman will speak about her book "A Special Education" on Tuesday, May 2, New Member Information Session on Wednesday, May 3, Cinco de Mayo Grilling Event on Friday, May 5, Hodgetini Happy Hour on Friday, May 12, A Mad Hatter's Mother's Day Tea on Saturday, May 14, and a Celebrity Chef event on Saturday, May 20. Visit the web site or call the phone number listed below for details on any of these events. Also, Princeton residents that receive Patriot Media can learn more about the special events and interviews on the TV-30 program, "Interesting Homes of Princeton" which airs Tuesdays at 6 p.m., Thursdays at 7 p.m., and Sundays at 1 p.m.

The showhouse will be open April 23 through May 21, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays noon to 5 p.m. Ticket prices are $25 at the door or $20 if purchased in advance by visiting www.jlgp.org. or call-ing (609) 771-0525.

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"Outdoor cooking centers have been getting more popular in the past five years, as more products become available," explains Tom Gray, manager of Mrs. G TV & Appliances in Lawrenceville. "Every year, there are more products, and people like the way they can do different things. For example, with the special infrared burners, you can sear both sides of a steak in a couple of minutes, and then finish cooking on a lower temperature. It keeps in the juice and the flavor much more."

"There are also rotisseries for cooking turkeys and chickens," he adds. "People like the variety and also the easy-maintenance and clean-up."

These cooking centers can stay outside year-round, he notes. "Many people cover them to protect against the elements, and hoods and canopies are also available. In addition, some people like to cook out all year," he reports. "In fact, it's been said that 65 percent of cooking is now done outside."

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Patio fireplaces are also becoming very popular, reports Gary Bowden. "People like to be outside by the fire on a cool night, such as in April or October. Again, when they have these gorgeous decks and patios, they want to spend as much time as possible there.

Great Ambiance

"Often the fireplaces are gas, and stainless steel, with a short chimney. They have a great ambiance, and can handle the elements. Another popular item is an outdoor campfire-type circular product, either wood or gas. It reminds people of those days at camp, sitting around the fire and telling stories."

Still other options are outdoor gas heaters and gas fire pits. The opportunities to keep warm grow and grow.

In contrast, for those hot summer days, a new up-and-coming item for the deck is the "Spritz" machine, explains Mr. Bowden. "These attach to the side of the house, and spray a very fine mist. It's a great way to keep cool. It's so fine, you don't get wet, and it is very refreshing. We will be getting them in."

Music, videos, and TV are another big plus for outdoor entertaining, and bringing these features to the patio, whether it's surround sound or TV is a specialty of Audiolab Stereo & Video Center in Fairless Hills, Pa.

"We partner with Audiolab for entertainment, " says Tom Gray of Mrs. G. "There are so many options now. You can have music, videos, TV, all outside. You can even have a TV in the yard or patio that shows who is coming to the front door. There are now speakers in rocks for the patio or garden, and 'universal' multi-purpose remotes. The possibilities are amazing."

If you have gone to all this trouble to cook dinner, play music, and entertain guests, you better have something nice for them to sit on. Gone are the days when a picnic bench and a couple of lounge chairs would suffice."

Big Variety

"Since so many more people have houses with decks, patios, and pools, they are enjoying the outside more and want nice furniture," says Barry Troll, owner of Exten-

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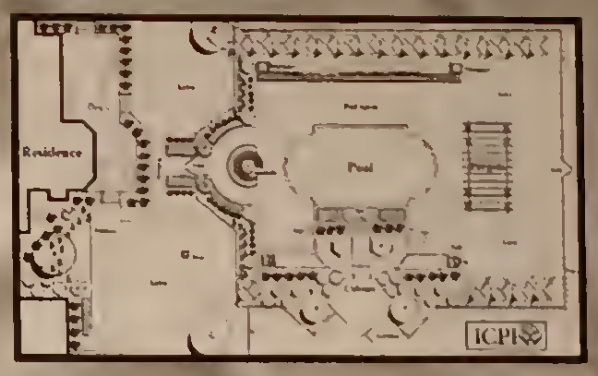

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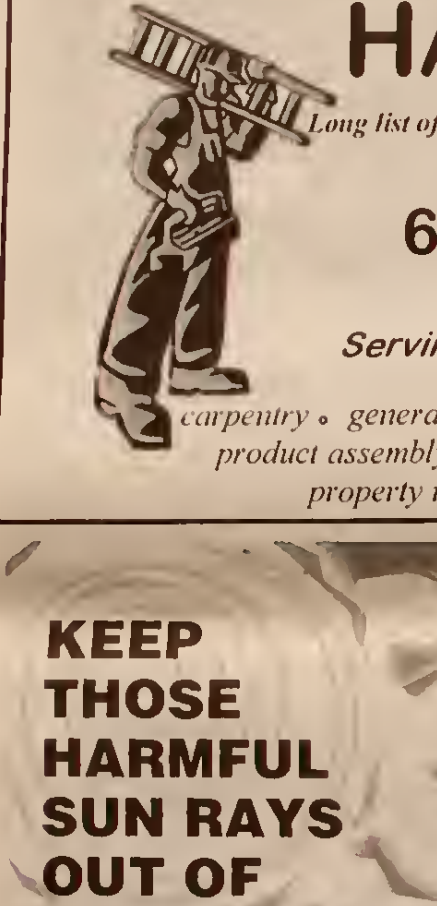
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Retractable awnings are another very popular feature for the deck or patio, reports Gary Bowden. "They are great. They work with a push button, and are available in many colors and styles. They provide shade in the heat of the day.

"We see a definite trend with these. Also, a lot of people are retiring now, and their life-style changes. They are way more likely to be home at 2 or 3 in the afternoon and want to relax and go outside. These awnings can make all the difference in comfort.

"Generally, I think there is more 'cocooning' going on today," he continues. "Some think it came after September 11, or is due to high gas prices, and high rental costs at the shore. Whatever the reason, more people are spending time at home and want to make their home their castle. People want to be home, and they want to be outside."

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Month-By- Month Gardening in New Jersey, written by Pegi Ballister-Howells and published by Cool Springs Press, provides advice on planting and caring for annuals, bulbs, fruits, ground covers, houseplants, and lawns in New Jersey.

The author points out that during the months of April and May, local gardeners will spend time planting, mowing the grass, spraying fruit trees, tending tomato seedlings, and visiting the garden center. She provides helpful hints concerning watering, fertilizing, pruning, and dealing with pests.

In New Jersey, it's time to plant cabbage, broccoli, and cauliflower, and potatoes. Ornamental trees and shrubs should be planted while still dormant, so the sooner the better. Transplanting from one spot in the garden to another should also be addressed.

Ms. Ballister-Howells suggests using milk containers to protect young plants from a late frost. Cut out the bottom of the jug and place it over the plants at night. As a general rule, plant seeds twice as deep as the seed is wide. Rubber dipped garden gloves and a kneeling pad will help when the ground is wet and cold.

April is an ideal time for a spring application of fertilizer and be sure to get down preemergent weed control to prevent weeds in both lawns and garden beds. Mulch also helps keeping weeds down. Be sure to water newly planted material and fertilize what has been in the ground for a year.

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Over 200 species of native wildflowers, vines, ferns, shrubs, and trees will be available. All plants are nursery propagated, none are collected from the wild. Staff and volunteers will be on hand to help attendees choose plants and to answer questions. Free resource material will be available, including plant lists for specific growing conditions. Special displays will feature native plants to attract birds and native plants for dry, shady sites.

The spring native plant sale catalog is posted at www.bhwp.org. To request a catalog by e-mail or fax, call the Preserve at (215) 862-2924 or e-mail lamack@bhwp.org. No preordering of plants is available and no shipping is available. Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve is located at 1635 River Road (Penna. Rt. 32) approximately 2.5 miles south of New Hope, Pennsylvania.

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LET THE LIGHT SHINE IN: A remodeled kitchen and French doors by Pinneo Construction give new life to this Princeton Township residence. Custom built cabinets and an expanded opening unify the dining room and kitchen.

WARM MAPLE: The paneling, cabinetry, and moldings in this Montgomery home were designed by Judie Nemeth and constructed and finished by Birdie Miller.

Morven Schedules Heirloom Plant Sale

Morven Museum and Garden will hold their annual Heirloom Plant Sale on Saturday, May 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. As in previous years, there will be a preview party the same day, with cocktails and an auction.

Morven's historic garden includes a formal, grand lawn dotted with majestic trees, beds of heirloom annuals from the 18th and 19th centuries, and a re-creation of the Colonial Revival style garden that was planted at Morven in the early 20th century.

While at the Heirloom Plant Sale, visitors can take advantage of the exhibit, "A Place to Take Root", on display till May 29. This traveling exhibit traces the history of garden containers from their origin to the present, with an emphasis on the American tradition. This exhibit has traveled to the U.S. Botanic Garden and the Canadian Royal Botanical Garden and has been featured in Martha Stewart Living. For additional information on any of the event at Morven, call (609) 924-8144 or visit www.morven.org.

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Township Posts Spring Brush Pick Up Schedule

The Princeton Township Public Works Department will be picking up yard waste during the month of May. Residents should have their materials on paved roadway but not more than three feet into the paved roadway. This measurement is from the curb or from where the pavement begins. The materials should be out by 7 a.m., prior to the Monday of collection week and not more than 7 days prior to the date of collection. For scheduling purposes, the Township is divided into four sections.

Section 1 is northeast, bounded by Route 206 to the west and the Borough line and Route 27 to the south. This section of the Township will have brush picked up Monday through Friday, May 1 through 5.

Section 2 is southeast, bounded by Alexander Street to the west and the Borough line and Route 27 to the north. Brush will be picked up Monday through Friday, May 8 through 12.

Section 3 is southwest, bounded by Rosedale Road to the north and the Borough line and Alexander Street to the east. Brush will be picked up Monday through Friday, May 15 through 19.

Section 4 is northwest, bounded by Rosedale Road to the south and the Borough line and Route 206 to the east. Brush will be picked up Monday through Friday, May 22 through 26.

For additional information on the brush pick up schedule, call the Township Public Works Department at (609) 688-2566 or visit www.princetontwp.org/brush_log.

Yard waste accumulated after the scheduled collection can be taken by the resident, registered landscaper, or gardener to the Joint Ecological Facility. The facility is located at 3701 Princeton Pike, just past the interesection of Provinceline Road. For information and hours, call (609) 688-2566.

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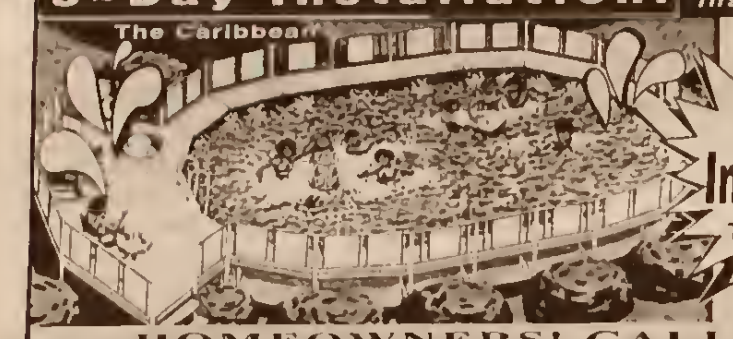

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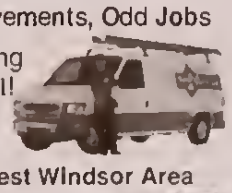

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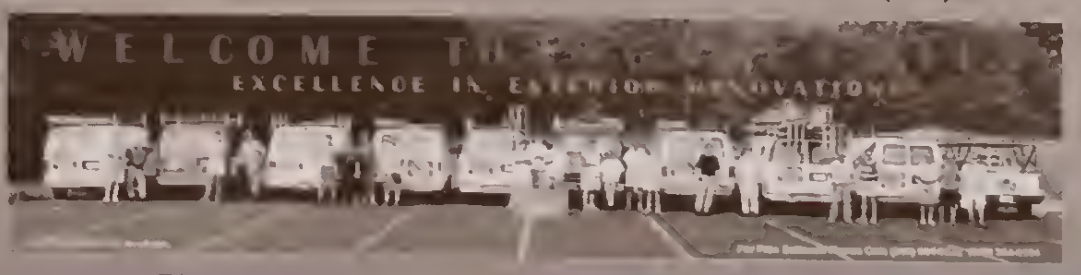

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